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Steppers Cheryl Stallone and Lori Sheldon strut their stuff for the football crowd during Parents Day on Saturday, Sept. 19. The Steppers performed to the music "Hard to Handle" played by the Bearcat Marching Band. Jack Vaught - Photo Director

## Family Day deemed success

1,350 visitors attend annual Family Day featuring game, picnic

LISA KLINDT  
Missourian Staff

Northwest welcomed approximately 1,350 family members and friends to campus Saturday, Sept. 19, for the 14th annual Family Day. Various planned activities, both on and off campus, kept families busy throughout the day.

"A Morning Celebration" held in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center, featured the 150-voice University Chorale and Northwest cheerleaders. University President Dean Hubbard's welcome address was followed by a brief introduction to the campus by Student Senate President Jeni Schug. Cherine Heckman, assistant director of Admissions, said approximately 900 people attended.

"The number of people who attended the general meeting at Mary

Linn was excellent. It was a very appreciative crowd," Bob Henry, public relations officer said.

Families registered for door prizes which were drawn by Heckman. Some of the prizes given away included: Northwest polo shirts, Northwest seat cushions, Northwest pennants, four reserved seats at the football game and a Northwest cap.

"Everybody reacted pretty quietly except for one mother," Heckman said. "Her daughter is a Northwest cheerleader so maybe it runs in the family."

Academic departments, laboratories, and residence halls held open houses. Residence halls offered doughnuts and juice in the lobby areas giving parents a chance to voice their opinions to the hall directors and resident assistants.

"We had real positive comments," Susan Goetsch, South Complex hall director, said. "They liked the campus."

A picnic lunch was held at the Bell Tower while KDLX, the campus radio

station, entertained students and families with a mix of old and new tunes. A lunch of hot dogs, barbecued beef, chips, salads, beans, brownies and beverages was served. Others chose to dine at the other dining facilities open in the J.W. Jones Student Union. In addition, some fraternities held barbecues for their members and families to enjoy.

"We had a couple people without their tickets and a couple of people that didn't have their cards. Otherwise everything went alright," Kim Greer, student food service worker, said.

The final event of the day took place at Rickenbrode Stadium as the Northwest Bearcats broke a two-game losing streak by defeating the Missouri-Rolla Miners, 29-14. At half-time the "Family of the Day" winners were announced and given honorary seats in the presidential box.

"The people who put this together, the Office of Admissions, are to be commended. They did an excellent job," Henry said.

## Student Senate committee sponsors suggestion box

ANNE ROSEMAN  
Missourian Staff

In an effort to improve the environment of Northwest, the Student Senate Environmental Affairs Committee is sponsoring a suggestion box. For two days students will be given the opportunity to voice their opinion on what they believe needs to be changed in order to create a pleasant, quality campus.

Jen Stanley, vice president of Student Senate, proposed the suggestion box. Although the idea is similar to last year's Gripe Day, the suggestion box focuses primarily on the campus environment.

"We are looking for suggestions regarding such things as the lighting, maintenance of the grounds and prob-

lems involving the residence halls or any other building on campus," Dawn Cooley, vice president of Environmental Affairs, said.

"Our committee's function is to improve the campus only as it relates to the environment."

According to Cooley, the mission of Environmental Affairs is to create and maintain a safe and enjoyable environment for those who use the campus. The best way to accomplish this is by communicating with students directly.

"The feedback we receive from the suggestion box will hopefully provide us with an excellent source of knowledge on what direction the student body wants to go," Cooley said.

Rather than relying totally on the Student Senate, the suggestion box will allow the student body to voice their opinion.

The suggestion box is based on the assumption students are eager to be involved in improving the campus. However, according to sophomore

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Dawn Cooley  
vice president  
of Environmental Services

## Campus Safety presents personal protection show

CHRIS GEGG  
Missourian Staff

In an attempt to protect Northwest students from potential harm, Campus Safety has planned a series of presentations, beginning with personal protection.

According to Tom Dover, Campus Safety director, the first presentation will be designed to promote the idea that personal protection begins with the individual.

"The first thing we have to do with everyone is to get the idea out of everyone's mind that the limited number of people that we have over here are going to protect them," Dover said.

Dover believes protection at Northwest is a shared responsibility, not just Campus Safety's.

"We can get them (Campus Safety) out of their cars, and we can get them out there walking and covering the areas that they haven't covered in the past, we can do a lot of things, I'm not questioning that," Dover said. "But

they can't be everywhere all the time. We have to get instilled in everybody that this is a kind of a shared responsibility and we need to try to work on it together."

For students, it is a responsibility that must be taken seriously.

"I see a lot of people taking stupid risks, such as taking 3 a.m. walks, and meeting people in person that they met over the computer at strange hours of the morning," Terri Cullen, freshman, said. "I just hope people take these presentations seriously."

The personal protection presentation, which will be given by Dover and Richard Moore, Campus Safety officer, will inform people of ways to protect themselves by reviewing common-sense material, such as walking in well-lit areas.

But according to Dover, it must be stressed personal protection goes beyond that.

"I think a lot of people take people that they come in contact with at face

value," Dover said. "You don't know a whole lot about them like I know the person who is fixing my hamburger at McDonalds. We have to get past that and realize that this is 1992 and things are happening."

Other presentations dealing with Campus Safety issues will be given throughout the semester. It was decided, however, that personal protection will be shown first because it is geared to meet the needs of the 1990 Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act.

"The Act says that we are to encourage the college community to accept responsibility for their own safety and security," Dover said. "That is what we are going to try to push."

The personal protection slide show will be shown twice within the next week. It will be presented at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, in the Stockman Room in the J.W. Jones Student Union. It will also be presented at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30, in Hudson Hall.

## CAPs brings Steven Wright to University

Call his style flat, monotonous, dour, twisted, surreal or whatever. Just call him funny.

Steven Wright will be performing at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 29, at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. The event is sponsored by Campus Activity Programmers.

Reserved seat tickets are on sale at the Student Services Center from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and at the Mary Linn Box Office from 6-8 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

Wright is the terminally deadpan comic who has appeared at concert venues, colleges and comedy clubs throughout the nation. He has appeared on "The Tonight Show" and has had several specials aired on HBO.

Wright's one-liners go something like this:

"I spent the afternoon trying to day-dream, but my mind kept wandering," or "I kept a diary right after I was born. Day 1: Tired from the move. Day 2: Everyone thinks I'm an idiot."

Another example is, "I spilled spot remover on my dog. Now he's gone."

A few years ago Wright put his brand of humor in a 30-minute film called "The Appointments of Dennis Jennings." The film went on to win an Academy Award in the short film category.

He first appeared on "The Tonight Show" in 1982. Since then Wright has been performing his off-beat routines on "Saturday Night Live" and "Late Night With David Letterman."

Comedian Bud Anderson will be the opening act for Wright.

Tickets for the show are \$10 with a Northwest ID and for children 12 and under, \$12 for senior citizens and other students and \$15 for adults.

## Hubbard addresses Forum

KATHY BARNES  
Editor in Chief

University President Dean Hubbard testified in Washington, D.C., Thursday, Sept. 17, at a "Congressional Forum on Quality Education," where he addressed total quality management in higher education.

Total quality theory emphasizes that every business, every function and every individual person plays an important role in satisfying customers and in making defect-free products.

His 10-minute presentation focused on education's attempt to follow industry in managing quality.

Hubbard said he held the group's attention with Chairman of the Select Committee on Children, Youth and Families Patricia Schroeder's report, which was in the news prior to his trip to Washington. Her report discussed

causes for the rising cost of higher education and apparent decline of undergraduate education.

"I decided when I got there, rather than take the paper I had written and follow it exactly, I started with her (Schroeder) report and took all her points, laid them out and compared them with Northwest," Hubbard said. "And our trends are exact opposites in every one."

Hubbard also met with Curt Reiman, director of the Bureau of Standards and developer of the Baldrige Award, to discuss assessment in relation to industry as well as in higher education.

"If you turn out an automobile, figuring out if that's a good car or a bad car is pretty straight forward," Hubbard said. "But when you turn out a student, figuring that out is very, very complex."

## GROWING TOGETHER



Jacob Lewis and Sidney Brisbane, both Kindergartners at Horace Mann Elementary School, with the assistance of their teacher Nancy Farlow, pack down the dirt around their apple tree which was donated by Earl May Nursery and Garden Center. Jack Vaught - Photo Director



## OUR VIEW

### Boistrous fans show more than enthusiasm

After the announcement that the rock groups Metallica and Guns N' Roses would be performing in Kansas City, fans were ecstatic. As if that didn't shake things up enough, they had controversial rapper Ice-T open the event with his band Body Count. So if you were expecting a glitzy, rowdy, explosive show you were in the right place.

Ice-T is still riding on his free publicity from his less-than-desirable relationship with the police. Even though he has good things to say, it's hard to believe Axl Rose was able to get past the issue of color to have Ice-T along for the ride.

It's admirable that Rose can finally put such prejudices aside to allow Ice-T to climb on board one of the popular tours of the year.

Apparently the fans were treated to a great performance by Metallica and Guns N' Roses, who did three things that once seemed impossible.

No. 1, they showed up on time. It's nice the boys finally know when they are supposed to arrive at the show.

No. 2, they played for the whole time they were scheduled instead of jumping around kicking out feedback for 25 minutes. I know this second one seems silly, but they have the tendency to ruffle the crowd's feathers occasionally by shutting down early. Imagine that, a person pays \$30 for their ticket and wants to see a \$30 show.

Finally, the crowd wasn't forced to sit through extended outbursts by Rose. Some of his favorite topics in the past were that the band stinks, or this will be his last show with the band unless some people get their act together. People don't want to hear garbled drivel about his disenchanted demeanor. Just get on with the show and keep your problems to yourself, pal.

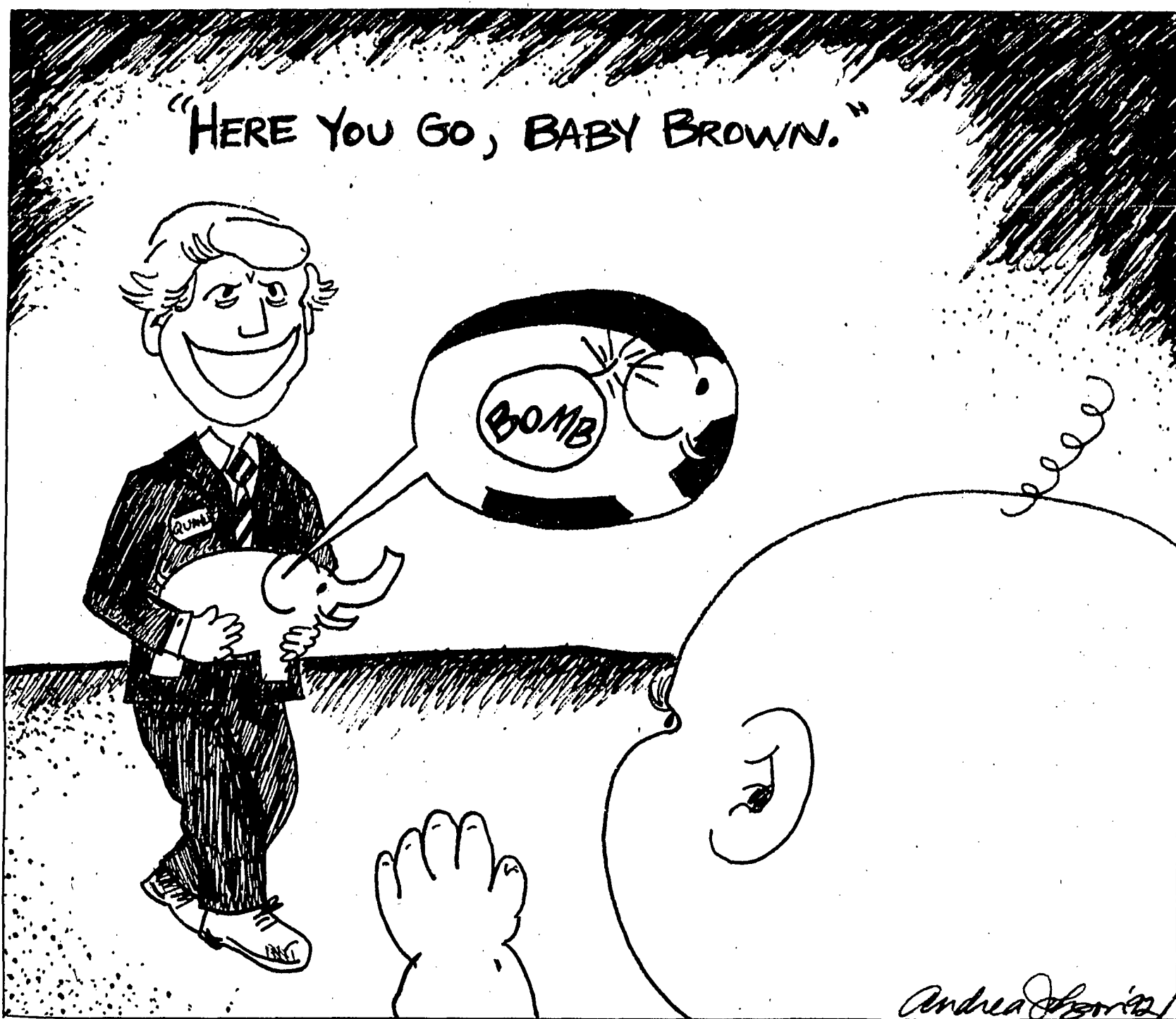
Besides all of that, it was definitely a show to remember. Some music fans will remember the songs, some will remember the on-stage cursing, but most will remember the numerous bare breasts flashed up on the huge picture screens.

Can a woman justify ripping off her top in the supermarket? Well, okay, how about baring all in front of 35,000 people. It's not the same, but an exhibitionist is the same whether they are in Hy-Vee or at Arrowhead Stadium.

Some have speculated that concert promoters planted the first few young women to spur others to do the same.

One could take a stand by saying, "It's just for fun." But you know, people haven't been seen having quite that much fun any place else around Kansas City.

We can't blame this little incident on alcohol, since no alcohol was sold in the stadium. I guess some members of the crowd were more thirsty for attention than beer.



#### CAMPUS VOICE

### If Ross Perot were to re-enter the race, how do you think it would affect the polls?

"If he were to re-enter, I feel that he would lose and Clinton would win by a greater majority than he already will win."

Todd Hollen, senior



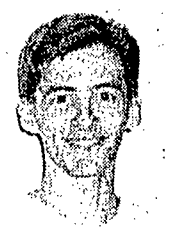
"I think he screwed himself when he dropped out. He had a good chance, but I think there's a lot of people who lost trust in him, and he had a large majority of the vote."

Chad Urban, junior



"Ross Perot re-entering the election would hinder Bush more than it would Clinton. Since he exited the race, the polls for Bush have elevated a bit."

Jason Cole, sophomore



## Homecoming grievances cleared

A lot has been said this fall about the lack of participation in Northwest's Homecoming activities - specifically by those organizations entering, or rather, not entering, floats in the parade.

Several reasons have been given both publicly and privately to me about the organizations' reasons for not building a float this year. Basically the reasons for not entering the competition is the high cost of building a float and the large amount of time required of an organization's members to finish the project.

On one hand I'm saying, "Great, it's about time the fraternities and sororities on campus realize that they are spending too much time and money to earn so little back financially."

On the other hand, I am obviously disappointed in the lack of floats which will be rolling down Fourth Street Homecoming Saturday morning.

So it has become apparent to me that something has to be done to change the way Homecoming, particularly the float competition, is conducted, and the Homecoming Committee has already acted on this issue.

The first change began last spring when it was agreed the University would bid out the price of the pumps used by the organizations in the construction of the floats. By doing this, we have been able to save some organizations as much as \$500 on the purchase of the pumps.

And just last week, the Homecoming Committee established new divisions for the float competition and, as a result, increased the prize money as well. First place in Division A (mainly fraternities and sororities) is now worth \$2,000 compared to \$750 in Division

B (mainly independents).

It is my hope that increasing the prize money will allow those organizations who wish to put a lot of financial backing and work hours into their float projects will do so, and those who don't won't be forced to spend more time and money on the project just because their competition is.

Currently there are nine floats entered in this year's Homecoming parade. That is down slightly from last year, but not a dramatic drop off.

This year you will see more clowns in the parade, and more than 15 campus organizations have planned house decorations both on and off campus.

Many organizations have also complained about their grades suffering during past Homecomings, and since Homecoming is "so much earlier this year," their concern was even greater.

Naturally your education comes first, and I have never encouraged students to skip classes or fail to study just so they could work on their float or



#### Guest Column

Dave Gieseke  
Homecoming  
Chairman

Variety Show skits. This is an activity only the organizations and their sponsors can monitor.

But to say Homecoming is "so much earlier this year" is just not true. For the past six years I have served as the overall Homecoming chairman. For three of those years, Homecoming has been held on or before Oct. 10 (the date of this year's Homecoming). Another year Homecoming Saturday was held just four days later in the month.

The earliest Homecoming in my memory came in 1988 when there weren't any home football games scheduled in October. The only choices we had were the first Saturday in November or the last Saturday in September.

Since it had snowed the previous year on Homecoming (Oct. 10 that year), the student organizations voted on the Sept. 24 date, and it may have been the best Homecoming I can remember. Not one organization dropped out because of the early date and many members indicated they preferred it in September because they still had October, November and December to work on their grades.

I hope the groups who have dropped out of the Homecoming activities come back next year. But even if they don't, Northwest's Homecoming will continue to be the highlight of the fall - both on campus and in the community.

## Letters to the Editor

### Political scrutiny urged

Dear Editor,

I received today the Aug. 27 and Sept. 3 issues of the *Northwest Missourian*. Since I am the Clinton for President Coordinator for Baxter County, Ark., I read with interest the political editorials and articles.

First, I noted that there was little mention of political parties. I consider this a serious oversight. Students should learn to participate in a political party and to vote on the basis of the principles of their party rather than for a man or woman.

Bill Clinton is the nominee of the Democratic Party which for the past 60 years of my memory has been the agent of change. The Democratic Party with republican opposition has produced virtually all the progressive changes, which we have today including Social Security, Rural Electrification, Medicare and other important programs.

Education Legislation: 1. Smith-Hughes Vocational Education (Woodrow Wilson) 2. Fullbright Scholarships (Harry Truman) 3. Equal Opportunity Act (Lyndon Johnson) 4. Creation of Department of Education (Jimmy Carter)

Today, the Democratic Party with its candidate for president, Bill Clinton, proposes further changes.

1. In education, Clinton has a plan for every young person to be able to attend college or receive vocational training.

2. A national health program to insure that every American has basic health service. Virtually every modern country in the world has a national health system except the United States.

3. Clinton proposes an economic program, which puts people first to lift the country out of recession.

Clinton has been endorsed by the National Education Association and the American Federation of Teachers.

Your editorial criticizing the use of balloons, confetti and negative campaigning was good. Now instead of repeating the negative statements, you should see through the rhetoric and report on the issues. What direction will the country go if Clinton or Bush is elected?

I challenge you to take the platform of the two parties and the statements of the candidates and place them side by side in your paper. Don't depend on an analysis by Steven Woolfolk; put the facts in.

I don't agree with your view that the candidates have not revealed their intentions. For example, Bush is pro-life, against abortion; Clinton is pro-choice, not pro-abortion.

Clinton has articulated his program more fully than any other candidate. I was present at the Old State House in Little Rock on Oct. 3, 1991, when he delivered his announcement speech outlining his views. He continued with his New Covenant and other speeches. I am enclosing "A Plan for America's Future by Bill Clinton." Compare this with what President Bush has been doing for the past three years.

I challenge the students at Northwest to join the Democrat or Republican Club and participate in the campaign. Missouri is a swing state, and this election may depend upon the results in a few states which may go either way.

Since Steven Woolfolk used a partisan Republican phrase, "tax and spend," I shall conclude with a quotation from the enclosed pamphlet by a "yellow dog Democrat," Harold Jinks, "The Proud Record of the Democratic Party."

There is a great difference between a democrat and a republican. A democrat will cry tears of compassion when he hears that a child goes to bed hungry. A republican cries tears of protest when he hears that a tax dollar was spent to feed that hungry child - The answer - vote DEMOCRATIC.

James L. Lowe

(After teaching at Northwest from 1959 to 1979, we retired to Arkansas where I learned the term "yellow dog Democrat," a person who would vote for a yellow dog before he would a Republican.)

## Register now to vote; make a difference Nov. 3

The youth of this country have, once again, the opportunity to make a difference in our country, and this opportunity will be here in just six short weeks.

Have you registered to vote? One group, formed two years ago to raise the political consciousness of young people and to "make voting hip," has mobilized people 18 to 24 and hammered them with political information. That group is Rock the Vote, and it could be one of the single most powerful political groups today.

Right now, voting isn't hip. Only 33 percent of 18-to-21-year-olds voted in the 1988 presidential election. That's no surprise, however. The turnout has steadily declined since 1971, when the 26th Amendment lowered the voting age to 18 (in that year almost half of the eligible young cast a ballot). And voting by all age groups has declined over the past three decades.

Schools and labor unions, which once educated young people about voting, have also been slacking. In a 1989 survey of 1,006 youths by People

for the American Way, only 12 percent rated voting as a basic tenet of good citizenship.

Rock the Vote, motivated by record-industry executives, was initially started to ward off censorship in the music business. They thought their best defense against restrictive legislation would be to mobilize a constituency of voters among young music fans. Thus, Rock set up voter-registration tables at concerts.

The music industry's influence on young people doesn't stop with Rock, however. Since the group's beginning, more than 50 performers have taped public service announcements urging their fans to vote.

The group has been criticized for trivializing the electoral process, but any awareness is better than ignorance.



#### My Turn

Kathy Barnes  
Editor in Chief

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## NEWS SHORTS

### UNIVERSITY

**Poet presentation held:** Stephen Corey will present readings from his latest works at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29, in the J.W. Jones Student Union Ballroom.

Corey is not only the associate editor for The Georgia Review, but is also the author of six books of poetry. One of his first poetry collections, titled "The Last Magician," won several awards, such as the Water Mark Poets First Book Award.

The winner of numerous poetry contests, he has had works published in such magazines as The American Poetry Review, Poetry, Yankee and The New Republic.

There is no admission charge for the event, which is sponsored by the department of English.

**Smile pretty:** Tower yearbook portraits will be taken from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Colonial Room located on the third floor of the J.W. Jones Student Union through Friday, Oct. 2.

**Program focuses on Homecoming:** Homecoming '92 will be the featured topic of the September edition of "Nodaway Update."

Dave Giescke, director of News and Information and Homecoming chairman, will discuss the aspects of the annual celebration, including the Variety Show, king and queen crowning and the parade.

The program will air at 7 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, on Channel 2, KQTV in St. Joseph. The broadcast will also feature a segment on commodities and how they affect Nodaway County residents.

"Nodaway Update" is a monthly public affairs show produced by faculty and students in the University's department of mass communication.

### MARYVILLE

**Children's health fair to be held:** St. Francis Hospital will hold a children's health fair from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, in the north wing of the hospital. It is

designed to educate and provide public service on children's health care issues to parents and children.

Activities include short presentations about current health care topics such as farm safety, asthma and allergies and when to call a physician.

In addition, there will be activities offered for the children including finger-printing, games, a free eye exam and aerobics. A baby show will be held from 1-3:30 p.m. in the Bread Basket Cafeteria. Any baby born in St. Francis Hospital since Jan. 1, 1990, is eligible to enter. To register, call 562-2600, extension 5901. (Maryville Daily Forum)

**Community Betterment judged:** Maryville was judged Tuesday, Sept. 22, for state Community Betterment awards. The awards are given to communities that made the community better for the most people.

According to Donna Holt, chairman of the Human Task Force Committee, scrap books are submitted and judges choose what they want to visit.

Among the things judged Tuesday were the Aquatic Center, Winter Wonderland, Koats for Kids, Toys for Tots, Christmas in August, Food for Russia, Village Youth Foundation and School Community Drug Task Force. (Maryville Daily Forum)

### STATE

**Man charged with first-degree murder:** A jury has convicted a man of strangling a 17-year-old girl after kidnapping her from a gas station. The St. Louis County jury found Jeffrey Ferguson guilty of first-degree murder in the 1989 slaying of Kelli Hall. The girl's nude body was found Feb. 22, 1989, 13 days after she disappeared from the St. Charles gas station where she worked.

A trial date for Kenneth Ousley, co-defendant, has not yet been set. (Kansas City Star)

### NATION

**San Francisco lightens marijuana law:** Under a resolution unanimously approved by San Francisco supervisors Aug. 25, police are to make arrests of seriously ill people for possessing or growing marijuana their "lowest priority."

Terrence Hallinan, the supervisor who sponsored the resolution, says if an ill person is caught with pot, a doctor's note should be sufficient to prevent prosecution. (USA Today)

**Miss North Carolina dies:** Tess Elliot, 23, Miss North Carolina USA, apparently choked to death when she became entangled in parachute lines while she was skydiving Sunday, Sept. 20, according to her mother. The accident occurred over Farmville, N.C. Elliot was a semifinalist in the Miss USA pageant this year. (USA Today)

### WORLD

**U.N. attempts to make peace:** Peace mediators prepared to meet Monday, Sept. 21, in Geneva for another attempt at working out a truce ending the bloodshed in the disintegrating Yugoslavia.

Sunday, Sept. 20, a plane carrying U.N. military officers safely landed in Sarajevo, the besieged capital of Bosnia-Herzegovina, then left with Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic. U.N. officials called it a successful test for resuming relief flights to Sarajevo. (USA Today)

**Somalia citizens dying daily:** Since January 1991, a dozen clans have battled for control of drought-stricken Somalia. War and famine have destroyed the nation, and the U.N. estimates the death toll has climbed to the hundreds of thousands. The number of people dying daily is estimated at up to 2,000 dying from starvation and 500 from warfare. An estimated 2 million, one-third of the total population, are still at risk from starvation and warfare. (USA Today)

## CAMPUS CALENDAR

### Thursday, Sept. 24

9 a.m. Postal Service Seminar will be held in the University Club North.

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7 p.m. SMS-AHEA Fashion Show will be held in the Charles Johnson Theater.

7:30 p.m. The theater department presents "Story Theatre" in MLPAC.

Sophomore and Senior General Education Assessment.

### Friday, Sept. 25

5 p.m. Omega Chi Sorority Rush party will be held at the Cardinal Inn in Maryville. Any female student may attend, but must RSVP at 582-3990.

7:30 p.m. The theater department presents "Story Theatre" in MLPAC.

"Drawings by Sculptors" will close in the DeLuce Gallery.

Rodeo Club competition at Pratt Community College in Pratt, Kan.

Bearkitten Volleyball at Peru State Tournament in Peru, Neb.

### Saturday, Sept. 26

Noon Fraternity Rush Association Member Orientation will be held in the J.W. Jones Student Union Ballroom.

2 p.m. Coed soccer team vs. Kansas at the soccer field.

7:30 p.m. The theater department presents "Story Theatre" in MLPAC.

Football vs. Washburn at Washburn University in Topeka, Kan.

Bearkitten Volleyball at Peru State Tournament in Peru, Neb.

Bearkitten and Bearcat Cross Country at Johnson County Community College Cavalier Cup in Overland Park, Kan.

Sunday, Sept. 27

10:30 a.m. Newman House Catholic Mass will be held in the University Club North.

2 p.m. The theater department presents "Story Theatre" in MLPAC.

6 p.m. Dollar Supper will be held at the Lutheran Campus Center.

7:30 p.m. "The Capitol Steps" will perform in MLPAC.

Coed soccer team match at Missouri Western.

Monday, Sept. 28

8 a.m. Total Quality Management shortcourse will

be held in the University Conference Center.

4 p.m. Homecoming '92 meeting will be held in 228 Colden Hall.

4 p.m. Homecoming King/Queen finalists will be announced in the Spanish Den.

7 p.m. Homecoming Variety Show eliminations will be held in MLPAC.

Second installment is due in Cashiering.

DEKALB will hold job interviews in the Lower Lakeview Room in the J.W. Jones Student Union.

### Tuesday, Sept. 29

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5:30 p.m. Sigma Society meeting will be held in Brown Hall.

7:30 p.m. Comedian Steven Wright will perform in MLPAC.

8 p.m. Post Stephen Corey will speak in the J.W. Jones Student Union Ballroom.

### Wednesday, Sept. 30

1 p.m. Leadership for Quality teleconference will be held in the Conference Center.

7:30 p.m. Charles Schultz, associate professor of theater, will speak about his semester in London in the University Club Room.

5 p.m. CAPS meeting will be held in the J.W. Jones Student Union Northwest Room.

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## Delegates chosen for Missouri forum

TERESA MATTSON  
Missourian Staff

Personal values, which have become an issue this year in the political arena, will also be the theme of this year's Governor's Leadership Forum.

Eight Northwest Student Senate delegates will attend the forum to be held Jan. 5-7, 1993, at Jefferson City. The eight were chosen from 11 nominees at the Student Senate meeting held Tuesday, Sept. 22.

"I hope to learn a lot about leadership skills, and I hope we can bring some good ideas back to our Senate," Angie Hopkins, delegate, said.

Others chosen for the conference were Jeni Schug, Jenn Blair, Heather Houseworth, Joe Desmond, Dawn Cooley, Catie Eastland and Trent Skaggs. All delegates are juniors.

Since registration fees for the forum are \$135 each, Executive Secretary Lisa Whiteing said Senate hopes to sponsor fund-raisers to help the delegates.

Student Regent Connie Magee, who recently returned from the National Student Leadership Prayer Breakfast and Forum in Washington D.C., said those going to the Governor's Leadership Conference could expect themes such as the importance of values in leadership roles as well as leadership skills training.

Also, with the goal of helping Northwest students become the leaders of tomorrow, a "Leadership Library" was

started two years ago in the Senate office at the J.W. Jones Student Union. It contains books donated by various faculty and administrators, including University President Dean Hubbard, and includes subjects such as leadership and goal setting.

Senate Vice President Jenn Stanley announced at Tuesday's meeting that while they felt the library was "very good," it was not being highly utilized.

The proposal was also made to extend posting approval rights to vice presidents of the Senate's various committees. Currently, only the four executives and the members of the PR committee can approve posting of announcements on campus.

The Policies Committee announced Senate would be registering voters in the Spanish Den, 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Oct. 6, and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 7. According to Executive Secretary Lisa Whiteing, anyone who has lived in Nodaway County for 30 days can register to vote.

It was announced Troy Winkler will be Northwest's new Missouri Association of Student Governments representative. Former representative was Jenn Blair. The new sergeant at arms, Matt Johnson, was also introduced.

Mike Freeman attended the Senate meeting as a representative of Kolaiah, a non-denominational Christian performing arts group, and saw the group become a Student Senate-recognized organization.

## LEAP OF FAITH



Continuing his unusual twist on throwing in the game ball, Master Sgt. Michael Rodgers prepares to parachute into Rickenbrode Stadium for the Family Day game on Saturday, Sept. 19. Don Carrick - Chief Photographer

## Greek bids issued

Fraternity Rush ups percentage, numbers lower

DERRICK BARKER  
Missourian Staff

After almost a month of touring fraternity houses, talking to members and participating in events, fraternity rushers were notified of possible memberships during Bid Day Monday, Sept. 21.

According to Kent Porterfield, Inter-Fraternity Council adviser, each chapter conducts a bid session to decide who bids should be issued to.

"Rushers have a Rush invitation card signed or stamped by at least five fraternities and then after they pick up their bids, (the students) choose which fraternity to accept," Porterfield said.

According to Porterfield, rushers could only pick one fraternity, and they had to sign their bids at the information desk at the same time the bids were received.

"If a student were to take the bid cards and leave, a friend or fraternity member could influence their decision," Porterfield said.

According to Jamie McMurphy, Rush co-chairman, IFC was responsible for collecting and distributing bids.

"We provide those bids from a fraternity in a neutral atmosphere," McMurphy said.

According to Gary Pilgrim, IFC president, 192 bids were issued to rushers who often received more than one

bid. Delta Chi and Tau Kappa Epsilon earned the most accepted bids with 18 and 17, respectively.

According to Brian Weaver, Delta Chi Rush co-chair, a high amount of accepted bids depends heavily on chapter members.

"I think good communication skills and the way our members rush and conduct Rush functions is what impresses prospective members," Weaver said.

"Rush functions give our members a chance to have a good time, and the rushers find out about us more."

According to Todd Hansen, Tau Kappa Epsilon president, chapter involvement is a main contributor to Rush success.

"My opinion about our success had a lot to do with the hard work of the chapter throughout Rush and not just a few people," Hansen said. "Participation, organization and attendance of rushers is what makes Rush successful."

According to McMurphy, the number of students rushing this year was down from previous years.

"There probably isn't a specific reason for it," he said. "However, there was a larger percentage of people actually receiving bids."

According to Porterfield, low numbers can make it tougher on the fraternities.

"When there are small numbers, you have to be good," Porterfield said.

"There is more competition to get rushers to join and the chances of accepting bids are less - that can be disappointing sometimes."

## Theater department sponsors performance

Traditional children's stories come to life in the first department of theater presentation this semester.

"Story Theatre" will be presented Thursday, Sept. 24, through Sunday, Sept. 27, in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. Tickets for the show are \$3 with a Northwest ID and for children 12 and under; \$4 for other students and senior citizens; and \$5 for adults.

Tickets are on sale at the Student Services Center on the first floor of the Administration Building from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and at the Mary Linn Box Office, from 6-8 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

Although "Story Theatre" takes its basis from classic children's stories of the Brothers Grimm, Theo Ross, chairman of the department of theater and the play's director, says this production is not necessarily for children.

"The show is not intended for parents to bring their kids to for a traditional family outing," Ross said. "Story Theatre" has some themes in it which are not intended for small children.

"We don't want people to bring their families expecting nursery rhymes - it's not that type of show," he said. "Story Theatre" will include four different acts or stories during the production.

"The Little Peasant," "The Robber Bridegroom," "The Master Thief" and "The Golden Goose" will all be dramatized.

The concept of "Story Theatre" is storybook characters come to life on stage. The production includes a narrator who keeps the storyline together between the four different acts.

Ross terms the production as "campy," complete with on-stage sound effects and cartoon characterizations.

"The characters will be very stereotypical," Ross said. "The villains will twirl their moustaches and the maidens will sigh."

Cast members of "Story Theatre" will all be first-year, theater students at Northwest. The annual freshman/transfer show enables the department to familiarize these students with the operations and procedures of the academic department.

"The actors come from such diverse backgrounds that we try to make them comfortable with our program with this type of production," Ross said.

As a result, "Story Theatre" will take on an ensemble approach with each of the actors playing at least two different characters throughout the production.

## Supremacy, scholarship awards presented at Family Day

LISA KLINDT  
Missourian Staff

Bob Lade, director of intramurals, presented four supremacy trophies to the fraternity, sorority, individual mens' and womens' group who accumulated the highest intramural point totals for the 1991-92 season. The awards were presented prior to the kickoff of the Bearcat football game last Saturday.

The recipients of the supremacy trophies were the Greek and independent organizations who accumulated the highest intramural point totals for the 1991-92 season. The awards were presented prior to the kickoff of the Bearcat football game Saturday, Sept. 19, at Rickenbrode Stadium.

Sigma Phi Epsilon, Alpha Sigma Alpha, the Swigs and the Roids were the recipients of this year's trophies.

"Students take intramurals very seriously," Matt Miller, Sig Ep president, said. "We've won the award the last three out of four years. I think that's why we pride ourselves on being so dominant lately."

Intramural sports at Northwest include: flag football, home run hitting, punt, pass, kick, volleyball, cross country, tug-of-war, racquetball, whiffleball, swimming meet, basketball, softball, weight lifting, golf and track. Points are awarded for meeting attendance, participation and for finishing places.

"It didn't matter if they got first,

second, third or fourth place; the important part was that they participated in every activity," Lade said.

Overall approximately 6,500-7,000 students participate in intramurals.

Thirty-five intramural sports are offered throughout the year. According to Lade, some improvements will be made in the upcoming year.

"Of course, we always work on improving officiating," Lade said. "This year we're trying different things with water sports and we're trying to get more women involved."

The announcement of the fraternity and sorority with the highest grade point average was also made on Saturday, Sept. 19, before the football game. This year's recipients of the overall scholarship awards were Sigma Sigma

Sigma and Sig Ep.

Gary Pilgrim, Inter-Fraternity Council president, and Kent Porterfield, assistant dean of students, presented the fraternity trophy and Denise

Ottinger, dean of students, presented the sorority trophy. Presidents Matt Miller and Lisa Stageman accepted the awards for their chapters.

"Our education directors utilized their resources by getting older members to help younger members with their studies and by bringing in campus and community speakers," Stageman said.

Also awarded were two \$100 scholarships to the associate members with the highest grade point average for the spring semester. The IFC presented these awards to Tommie Bates of Sigma Tau Gamma and Tom Henry of Sig Ep.

**"This year we're trying different things with water sports and we're trying to get more women involved."**

Bob Lade  
director of intramurals

## Campus Safety

**Sept. 14 4:04 p.m.** An officer was dispatched to a medical emergency at Brown Hall. Upon arrival, witnesses said a female student appeared to be having a seizure. Personnel from Student Health Services and Nodaway County Ambulance had also been notified. It was determined the student should be seen by a doctor. The student was transported to Student Health Services for treatment.

**Sept. 15 4:41 p.m.** An officer responded to an ambulance call at the training room at Lamkin Gym. A female was being treated after falling while walking on the track. The female was transported to St. Francis County Hospital and admitted with a broken hip.

**7:27 p.m.** An officer was dispatched to Millikan Hall where a female student was reportedly having an asthma attack. The student asked to be transported to St. Francis Hospital where she would be met by her parents. The officer transported the student to the hospital.

**9:42 p.m.** The assistant hall director of Dieterich Hall reported a fire alarm had accidentally been set off by residents of the dorm playing hacky sack in the hallway. The fire alarm system was reset.

**Sept. 16 2:31 a.m.** A female student reported someone had logged into her account. The incident is under investigation.

**Sept. 17 2:12 p.m.** A female student reported a male student initiated contact that resulted in a verbal and physical altercation.

**Sept. 18 11:02 p.m.** A male student reported the right front tire of his vehicle had been cut.

**Sept. 19 12:42 a.m.** An officer was dispatched to a medical emergency at Douglas Hall. Upon arrival, it was reported a student was having an asthma attack and did not have the proper medication. The student was transported by Nodaway County Ambulance to St. Francis Hospital for treatment.

**3:14 a.m.** Officers responded to Hudson Hall to investigate a fire alarm. Upon arrival, officers found the building being evacuated. The building was searched and no sign of a fire was present. It was determined a pull station on the second floor had been activated. The system was reset.

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# Multicultural Center takes aim at interracial barriers

JENNIFER STEWART  
Missourian Staff

The Multicultural Center held their first annual dinner Thursday, Sept. 17, at the University Conference Center to reward the center for their work during the year.

Entertainment was also provided. Danielle and Mirielle Jean-Francois each played a musical selection on the piano for those in attendance.

According to Liz Wood, co-chairperson of the executive committee, the significance of the center is to help break



Danielle Jean-Francois provided some after-dinner entertainment at the multicultural dinner Thursday, Sept. 17. Soon afterwards, Liz Wood, counselor, spoke of various goals and accomplishments of the Multicultural Center. Larry Smith - Staff Photographer

down barriers that often exist between people of different ethnic backgrounds.

"What we're attempting to accomplish through the Multicultural Center is to establish a relationship with the different communities we have here on campus at Northwest Missouri State, and educate the different communities about the other ethnic groups that we have here on campus," Scott Phillips, a speaker at the dinner, said.

Wood, who was the main speaker at the dinner, has been with the University for five years and is deeply concerned with the progress of the campus in areas of racial interaction.

"I believe that for students, we owe it to them ... to educate them about a lot of different facets of the world that they live in and also about the kinds of things they are going to encounter in the future," Wood said. "All youth need positive role models to which they can identify."

The center is currently without a director after Ben Birchfield left last May. Wood has become acting director.

The Multicultural Center represents many student ethnic groups on campus that also attended the dinner. Gordon Fernando spoke for the International Student Organization, Sharon Hardnett spoke for the Alliance of Black Collegians, Lorena Castro represented the Hispanic American Leadership Organization and Connie Chen was also in attendance for the Chinese Student Association.

Two other groups that were recognized were Amnesty International and the English Preparatory Program.

Organizations that represented an individual ethnic group at the dinner are open to the entire campus, regardless of denomination. These groups encourage students of other nationalities to become involved in their plans and activities.

## 'CAN I KEEP HIM?'



Bobby Bearcat receives a big hug from Zachary Wilson at the Family Day picnic, Sept. 19. Jack Vaught - Photo Director

# Fraternities plan annual Conclave

ROGER HUGHLETT  
Missourian Staff

Concluding the year's fraternity Rush will be the Associate Member Conclave at noon Saturday, Sept. 26, in the J.W. Jones Student Union Ballroom.

The Conclave has not been held in the past two years, but according to Inter-Fraternity Council Vice President Jason Dean, the Conclave could become a semiannual event.

Dean said past Conclaves were beneficial to him as a member of a fraternity and as a student.

"The speakers were maybe three years older than you, but they did not talk down to you," Dean said. "They talked with you. This way you got a different point of view."

The program is set to have 12 speakers to present such topics as time management, alcohol abuse and how to promote a better Greek image.

Participants will be able to choose eight of the 12 presentations to attend.

According to Dean, the Conclave is mainly presented for the benefit of new members, but all members of Greek organizations are invited and encouraged to attend.

"It is mostly for new members," he said. "We are looking for close to 300 members to attend. Most organizations are encouraging their members to all attend."

The program is aimed at informing the members of Greek organizations and allowing them to come together to discuss and learn.

"The Conclave is designed to help the members throughout their college years," Dean said. "We will discuss scholarship and leadership."

Speakers will range from faculty advisers to student leaders, according to Dean.

The program is scheduled to last approximately four hours.

Dean said if the Conclave is a success this fall, there will more than likely be one in the spring semester as well.

Approximately 200 men went through Rush this year, Dean said he hopes the members take advantage of the opportunity the Conclave is offering.

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# CAPs brings 'Capitol Steps' to Mary Linn

GARY PILGRIM  
Missourian Staff

Washington, D.C., sends its comical best to Northwest to provide a humorous look at the presidential election and the governmental issues facing our nation.

"Capitol Steps," a group consisting of 15 current and former congressional aids and staff members, takes the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center stage at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, to combine satirical humor with music.

"They ('Capitol Steps') are better than most political satirist because they have worked in Washington," Dave Gieseke, director of News and Information, said. "They're making fun of their bosses and people they have met in the halls of the Capitol."

From democrats to republicans, George Bush to Bill Clinton and everything in between, no area is un-

touched. Some of the topics they comment on include Bush's thousand points of light, the trade deficit, defense spending and supreme court decisions.

"Typically the republicans goof up, and the democrats party," Elaina Newport, co-founder of the group, said. "Then the democrats goof up, and the republicans party. That's what we call a two-party system."

"Capitol Steps" began in December 1981, when three staffers for Sen. Charles Percy were asked to provide entertainment for the Senate Foreign Relations Committee

**"Typically the Republicans goof up, and the Democrats party, then the Democrats goof up and the Republicans party."**

Elaina Newport  
co-founder of  
'Capitol Steps'

Christmas party.

The group considered doing a traditional nativity play, but supposedly in all of Congress they could not find three wise men or a virgin.

Since the groups beginning 10 years ago, they have recorded 10 albums including such songs as "76 Bad Loans," "We Arm the World," "Georgie on My Mind" and "Stand By Your Dan." Their latest album is titled "Fools on the Hill."

"Capitol Steps" are currently on a national tour. They have been seen on television shows such as "Good Morning America," "Entertainment

Tonight," "The Today Show," "20/20" and many more.

Gieseke decided to bring "Capitol Steps" to the University because of their notoriety and because of the close proximity to the presidential election.

"It's late September and we're a little more than a month away from the elections, but obviously, any time is a good time for people to poke fun at Washington," Gieseke said.

Tickets for "Capitol Steps" are currently on sale at the Student Services Center on the first floor of the Administration Building from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Reserve seats are \$5 with a Northwest ID and children 12 and under; \$8 for senior citizens, groups and other students; and \$10 for adults.

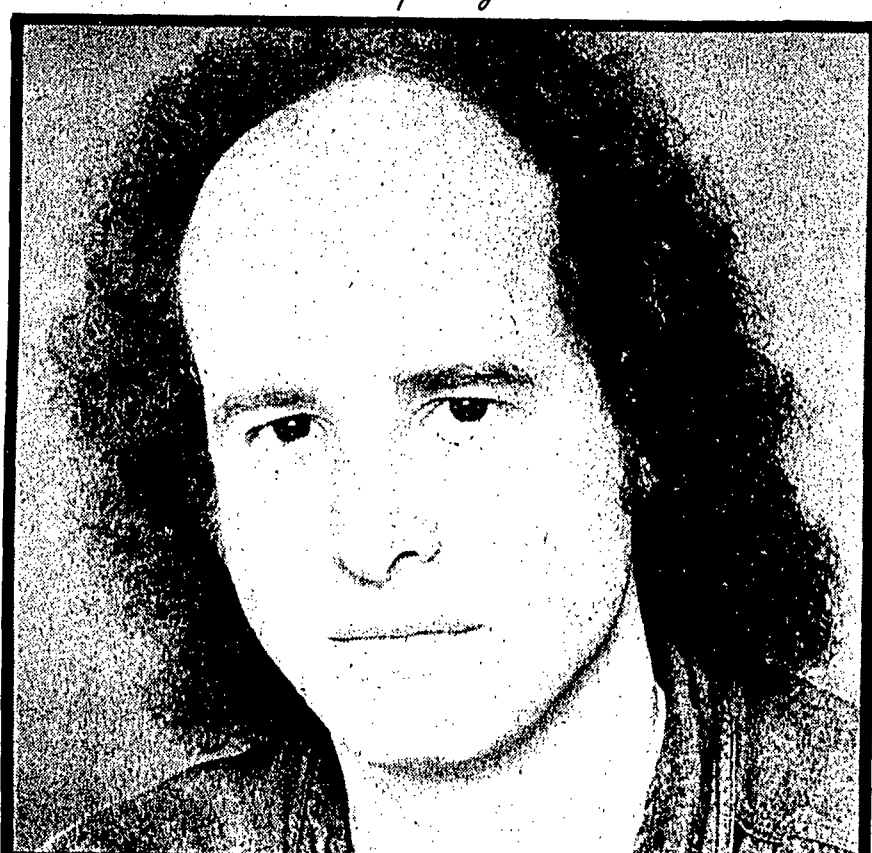
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# Student attends national leadership conference in D.C.

**JODI PULS**  
Assistant Editor

What do NFL players, senators, Vice President Dan Quayle and a Northwest student all have in common? They all know the importance of faith and values in leadership.

They were also all in attendance at the National Student Leadership Prayer Breakfast and Forum on Faith and Values in Leadership which was held in Washington, D.C., Sept. 17-19.

Connie Magee, student regent, at-

tended the conference and found it to be a learning experience.

"I learned a lot about myself, my responsibility as a leader, the importance of what I believe in and my values," Magee said.

Magee, who attended the state leadership forum in Jefferson City last January, received an invitation to attend the national forum from U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici, New Mexico; U.S. Congressman Jim Slattery, Kansas; and Mo. Gov. John Ashcroft.

According to Magee, the two forums were very different. While the state forum focused more on current topics and larger group discussions, the national forum broke into smaller groups to discuss leadership and values.

As part of the forum, the students had a work day.

"We went to grade schools and secondary schools, and we had different things to do in each one," Magee said. "We raked up lawn clippings and

weeded gardens. Other groups painted lockers and picked up trash."

Among honored guests to speak on the importance of values in a leadership position and commitment to Christ at the forum was Quayle.

"I thought (his speech) was good," Magee said. "He was very sincere and I could tell he believed in what he was saying."

According to Magee, 700 college students attended from 48 states and at least five countries.

Magee's favorite part of the experience was interacting with everyone in the small groups and learning about their leadership skills.

"I came away with a real feeling of hope, to know that there are people in all facets of society that hold on to their beliefs and let them guide them," Magee said.

She only had one regret about the trip.

"It was too short. I wish there was a way they could have made it a week

long," she said. "I built some really good friendships there, and it was hard to leave."

Magee found the conference to be a learning experience.

According to Magee, there was a refreshing lack of prejudice among the people attending the forum.

"There's a lot more open-minded people than you think in the world," Magee said. "It was a real lack of prejudice there and it was very refreshing."



Denise Turner, Brenda Ashley, Corina Monarrez and Michelle Neuerburg, perform their olio act for the judges on Monday, Sept. 21. The olio acts are a section of the Variety Show for smaller groups.

## Variety Show auditions held

**ROGER HUGHLETT**  
Missourian Staff

Northwest Homecoming festivities move one step closer with the auditions and selections complete for the olio acts. The auditions were held at 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 21, in the J.W. Jones Student Union Ballroom.

Acts selected to perform were notified by phone the following night by the Variety Show committee.

Fifteen acts auditioned for a chance to perform during Homecoming as olio acts.

Olio acts are small ensembles or solo acts consisting of instrumental or vocal music, comedy or dancing.

The six acts include: Andrea Hunter; Brad Stephens, Darin Parker and Brian Bellof; Jeff Gillahan and Francie Miller; Melissa West; Miller; and Denise Turner, Brenda Ashley, Cori Monarrez and Michelle Neuerburg.

The acts which were selected will

all be performing musical numbers.

The acts were chosen by a panel of judges and members of the Variety Show committee. The judges were Bob Kettlitz, Joanne Larem and Kenna Parman.

Variety Show co-chairperson Jodi Herrera said the olio acts are basically "intermission-type" acts performing between larger acts at the Homecoming Variety Show.

Auditions were also offered for students interested in emceeing the Variety Show. No students auditioned for emcee.

According to Herrera, the auditions went well, despite the fact no students

tried out for emcee positions.

"The auditions went pretty well," she said. "There were a lot of good acts to choose from. We were looking for acts the audience would respond to best."

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Jodi Herrera  
Variety Show co-chairperson

Herrera said there were not as many acts trying out this year. She had no explanation for the change.

"There were a few more trying out last year," she said. "A lot of the faces trying out this year look familiar from last year though."

"Most of people trying out are music majors. The Bearcat Sweethearts tried out this year, and this is the first year for them to try out," Herrera added.

## Comedians, day change bring more laughs to the Spanish Den

**DERRICK BARKER**  
Missourian Staff

Whether it was to get away from the stress of college life or just to have fun, students found laughs at the opening presentation of the Comedy Club Thursday, Sept. 17, in the Spanish Den.

The show, sponsored by Campus Activity Programmers, featured stand-up routines by comedians Paul Williams and Joe Keyes.

According to Keyes, who headlined at the Comedy Club, crowd receptiveness was better than he anticipated.

"I thought the crowd was good, and I was grateful for that," Keyes, a Minnesota native now living in Los Angeles, said. "The older I get, the harder it is to relate to young people."

According to Williams, also a Minnesota native, the audience maintained their alertness.

"They stayed pretty attentive," Williams said. "Sometimes there's a lot of things going on around them, but this crowd kept up with me—even with the long jokes."

When thinking of ideas for his routines, Keyes said he usually utilizes events and ordeals he has experienced.

"I talk about things in my life and then I exaggerate and twist them a little," Keyes said. "It's more gratifying to me if I can relate my jokes to my life."

This year, CAPs scheduled the Comedy Club for Thursday nights instead of Sundays as in previous years which, according to Scott Allen, CAPs Comedy Club co-chair, resulted in an increase in attendance.

"From what I understand, this is a lot better," Allen said. "The day change was an improvement because people are still here at school, and there's not



Paul Williams entertains students with his comedy routine Thursday, Sept. 17, in the Spanish Den. Williams was the opening act for featured performer Joe Keyes. Jon Britton - Contributing Photographer

really anything else to do on Thursday nights."

According to freshman Jenny Peitzman, the acts were a way to release anxiety.

"It enlightens your day and makes you laugh," Peitzman said. "It's a good stress reducer."

Peitzman went on to say she found Keyes' use of the audience to be an effective tool for humor.

"It wasn't just a straight act," Peitzman said. "He worked with the audience and ad-libbed, which made it

more realistic."

Keyes improvisations included shouting remarks to people who passed by and jokes about the microphone feedback.

"Don't make me shout," he said in his act. "It could mean certain death for all of us."

During his act, Keyes involved the audience and at times poked fun at them.

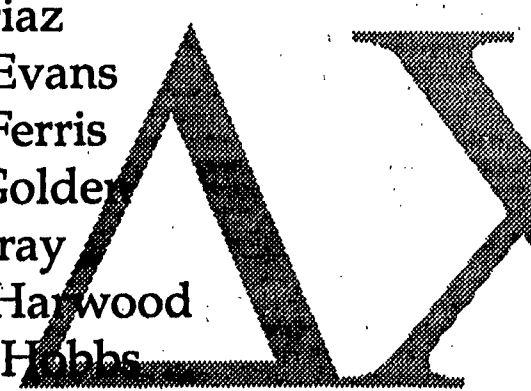
"I liked it when (Keyes) slammed people," freshman Jon Sowell said. "I like cruelty in comedy."

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Pittsburg State	1-0	3-0
Central Missouri	1-0	1-1
Northwest	1-0	1-1
Southwest Baptist	0-1	1-2
Missouri Western	0-1	1-2
Univ. Mo.-Rolla	0-1	1-2
Washburn	0-1	0-2
Missouri Southern	0-2	1-2

## Last Week's Games

Northwest 29, Univ. Mo.-Rolla 14

## Upcoming Games

Sept. 26  
at Washburn  
Oct. 3  
Northwest vs. Pittsburg State  
Oct. 10  
Northwest vs. Central Mo. State  
Oct. 17  
at Northeast Mo. State  
Oct. 24  
Northwest vs. Mo. Western  
Oct. 31  
at Mo. Southern  
Nov. 7  
Northwest vs. Emporia State  
Nov. 14  
at Baptist

## VOLLEYBALL

MIAA Volleyball Records  
(Conference/Overall)

Emporia State	5-0	13-2
Central Missouri	5-0	10-4
Univ. Mo.-St. Louis	5-0	8-6
Pittsburg State	2-3	7-7
Northwest Missouri	2-3	7-6
Northwest	2-3	7-6
Missouri Western	2-3	6-5
Missouri Southern	2-3	4-7
Southwest Baptist	0-5	2-9
Washburn	0-5	1-13

## Last Week's Game

Sept. 22 vs. Benedictine 3-0 W

## Invitationals Last Week

Sept. 18 vs. Washburn 3-0 W  
Sept. 18 vs. SW Baptist 3-0 W  
Sept. 19 vs. Emporia St. 3-0 L  
Sept. 19 vs. Central Mo. 3-0 L  
Sept. 19 vs. Mo.-St. Louis 3-0 L

## Upcoming Games

Sept. 25-26  
at Peru State  
Oct. 2-3  
Invitational at Missouri Western  
Oct. 12  
at College of St. Mary  
Oct. 16-17  
MIAA Round Robin II at St. Louis  
Oct. 21  
Northwest vs. Benedictine College  
Oct. 23-24  
Northwest Tournament  
Oct. 27  
Northwest vs. Graceland  
Oct. 31  
at Drury College  
Nov. 4  
at Missouri Western  
Nov. 15-16  
MIAA Championship Tournament  
in Emporia, Kan.

## CROSS COUNTRY

## Upcoming Invitationals

Sept. 26  
Highland Jr. College Invitational  
Cavalier Cup Invitational  
Oct. 3  
Wayne State Invitational  
Oct. 10  
Bearcat Distance Classic  
Oct. 24  
MIAA Championships  
Nov. 7  
GL National Championships  
Nov. 21  
NCAA Division II Championships

## TRIVIA

## Did you know...

The National Invitation Tournament was held for the first time in 1938. The top nationwide honors went to Temple University, with Colorado as the runner-up.

## NOTEWORTHY

"While managing the Boston Braves in 1940, Casey Stengel got in a prolonged argument with umpire Bill Klem. Finally the veteran arbiter pulled out his watch and said, 'You have 30 seconds to leave the field.' Stengel shot back, 'Gee, Bill, you're crazy to show that watch in front of this crowd. Its owner may recognize it.' The fans did recognize the heave-ho sign that Klem immediately gave Stengel.



Junior quarterback Lawrence Luster strives to gain extra yardage for the Bearcats over the University of Missouri-Rolla. Luster made a touchdown in the third quarter, helping the 'Cats defeat the Miners 29-14. This was the first victory for the Bearcats. Jon Britton - Contributing Photographer

## Bearcats shaft Miners on Family Day

SCOTT ENGLERT

Missourian Staff

A crowd of nearly 6,000 gathered at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at Rickenbrode Stadium, for the Family Day game.

A 23-point unanswered outburst in the second half by the Bearcats propelled them to a 29-14 victory over the University of Missouri-Rolla Miners. Fans were treated to a revitalized offense, great special teams play and for the first time this season, a victory.

The first two possessions by the

Bearcats were much like the first two games this season. They both resulted in fumbles. The second fumble resulted in a 42-yard field goal by UMR kicker Eivind Listerud. He also drilled a 36-yard field goal in the second quarter.

The Bearcats, led by senior quarterback Lawrence Luster, mounted one final drive before the end of the half. With 1:12 left before halftime, a reverse to junior split end Ryan Ellis and a great block by senior tight end Andy Freking resulted in a touchdown. The

extra point was good by senior kicker Robert Godard. The Bearcats led at halftime 7-6.

The 'Cats dominated the second half with 23 unanswered points. Luster started off the scoring late in the third quarter with a seven-yard run.

"We came out after halftime and really started chalking up the points," Luster said.

Luster performed well in his back up roll as he threw for 43 yards and rushed for 50 yards. His most impressive stat was that he threw no intercep-

tions. Senior starting quarterback Joseph Johnson was injured in the first quarter with a groin injury.

Northwest put the game away early in the fourth quarter.

With 12:20 left, Miners quarterback Curt Courtney stumbled and fell into his own endzone giving the Bearcat defense a safety. On the ensuing free kick by the Miners, senior cornerback Kenny Stokes galloped 69 yards for a touchdown.

"I could not believe how wide open it was," Stokes said. "I could have

driven a truck through the hole."

The Miners dug themselves into a deeper hole in the fourth quarter. On the Bearcats next possession, junior fullback Grant McCartney took the first play from scrimmage and rumbled 61 yards for the score. His first career touchdown for the Bearcats. McCartney was the workhorse all day as he racked up 104 yards on 8 carries.

The Miners scored late in the fourth quarter when backup quarterback Mike

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## Cross country teams place at invitationals

Bearcat runners  
finish second place  
at Baker Invitational

LANCE DORREL

Missourian Staff

The Bearcat cross country team finished second Saturday, Sept. 19, at the six-school Baker University Maple Leaf Invitational in Baldwin, Kan.

Johnson County Community College won the meet with 26 points ahead of the Bearcat's totaled 51. Following the Bearcat's at third place, was Mid-American Nazarene University, with 95 points, fourth place went to Haskell Junior College, with 98 points, Baker University took fifth place with 106 points and sixth place went to Missouri Valley College, 113 points.

Again the 'Cats could not take all of their top runners to the meet, due to injuries and sickness.

"We still do not have everyone healthy and we are fighting a great deal of injuries right now," Bearcat head coach Richard Alsop said. "The main thing is to get everyone healthy for the rest of the season."

Leading the way for the Bearcat's, who had five runners finish in the top 30, was junior Mark Roberts who fin-

ished fifth overall with a time of 26:55 over an 8-kilometer course.

"We did good for not having a full squad again," said Mark Roberts. "Finishing second is really good for us, if we would of had a full squad I think we could of won the meet."

Finishing behind Roberts were teammates sophomore Chris Blondin, 10th; freshmen Chris Olson, 15th; sophomore Shannon Wheeler, 23rd; and junior Ronnie Perkins, 27th.

Three other Bearcat runners finished in the top 45 at Saturday's meet. They were freshmen Clint Johnson, 32nd; sophomores John Holcombe, 38th and Eric Davolt 45th.

The next meet for the Bearcats will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Johnson County Cavalier Cup, in Overland Park, Kan. The meet will be hosted by Johnson County Community College. The 'Cats will also take part of their squad Saturday to run at the Highland Community College Invitational, in Highland, Kan.

Roberts believes the Bearcats can finish in the top three even though the team will not be completely healthy and the competition will feature some Division I schools.

"Johnson County will be there again as well as Kansas, they are going to be

really tough again," Roberts said. "If we all run well and can finish together at the top, we can place somewhere in the top three."

While Roberts and his teammates feel they can finish in the top three,

## 'Kitten harriers take 13th place

The Northwest womens cross country team finished 13th Saturday, Sept. 19, in the University of Nebraska/Woody Greeno Invitational, in Lincoln, Neb.

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln won the meet with 55 points, finishing second was the Lincoln Track Club with 60 points. Third place went to Drake University with 100 points. The Bearkitten's final team total was 308 points.

The Kitten's 13th place finish is deceiving according to Bearkitten head coach Charlene Cline, who said the team ran against some very good competition and some Division I schools.

"I am very pleased with how the kids ran Saturday," Cline said. "Actually our times were better this year than they were last year there. I am especially pleased with how our No. 1 through 5 runners did in finishing so close together. If we can just get it so it

Alsop will just be looking for overall team improvement at Saturday's meet.

"I hope that we have some improvement," Alsop said. "We also need to pack together a little better this weekend."

is our one through seven finishing closer together, we will be just fine."

Leading the way for the Bearkittens was senior Rheba Eustice who finished 51st overall in the 129 runner field, with a time of 20:37. Not far behind were teammates sophomore Tiffany Wade, 57th, 21:01, and freshmen Renee Stains, 64th, 21:19.

The Bearkitten's had four other runners finish in the top 100. They were junior Mary McCoy 66th, 21:21, freshmen Angel Bishop, 70th, 21:31, freshmen Neffie Chamas, 84th, 22:29, and senior Lisa McDermott, 22:36.

McDermott said the team did well considering the competition.

"I felt we did okay considering the caliber of competition at the meet," McDermott said.

The Bearkittens will be back in action at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Johnson County Community Cavalier Cup.

Fair or foul?  
Controversy  
over steroids

Ben Johnson: As soon as you hear that name you know what's going to follow. He had his gold medal taken away in the 1988 Olympics in Seoul, South Korea, for the use of the banned substance, steroids. He ran the 100-meter dash with a time of 9.79 seconds.

Ben Johnson was back on the track in Hamilton, Canada, after being banned for two years. He had stopped using the performance-enhancing drug. He was less muscular, and he took second in a 50-yard dash with a time of 5.77 seconds.

Track and field never regained the popular opinion it once had in the sports world because it was now tainted. Tainted with the win of a cheater. Tainted with the use of one word - steroids. Now, whenever an athlete breaks a record or scores a personal best, the question of whether or not steroids helped them achieve it, comes out.

It's four years later in Barcelona and the same question arose once more on the track. This time, no official uttered the naughty word, instead it was said by Gwen Torrence and she accused Gail Devers of using the drug in order to win.

Devers suffers from Graves disease and up until a year ago, she didn't know if she would ever be able to walk again, let alone run.

Sad isn't it. It's bad when a member of your own team accuses you of cheating. Some of us just can't lose gracefully.

Take a look at Jackie Joyner-Kersey. She is a real winner. When she lost the high jump to her opponent she didn't run out and scream 'steroids.' The track and field events in the Olympics will always be shadowed with that ever-present cloud looming over its head. Just as it was fading out, Torrence let the dirty word spring from her mouth.

In a moment of rage we all utter things we don't mean.



Off the  
Bench

Sharon Johnson  
Missourian Staff

## LINE UP



The Bearcat cheerleaders rallied the 'Cat football fans during the game. The cheerleaders kept the crowd enthused through various cheers and routines. Jack Vaught - Photo Director

Bearkittens tromp over  
Benedictine College 3-0

TERESA HOBBS

Associate Editor

The Bearkittens pounced their way to a three-win victory, 15-8, 15-8, 15-7, against Benedictine College Tuesday, Sept. 22.

The Northwest traveling squad contributed to the victory. Freshman outside hitter Heather Caley gave the team inspiration with seven kills in 11 attempts, five blocks and 12 digs.

Kitten junior outside hitter, Heidi Yurka added six kills and eight digs while junior middle hitter Tracie Simmons also supplied six kills and 11 digs.

The Bearkittens' back row achieved their goal - a 94 percent season high in pass reception, which included 13 errorless passes by Yurka.

"It made us feel really good because when we achieve the goal it makes us realize that we've been work-

ing hard," Caley said.

Game plan, concentration and first match win helped the team achieve the record.

"We went out there knowing that probably, if we played well, we could execute a lot of our different plays," Bearkitten head coach Sarah Pelster said. "We spotted them five points first, so we were sitting back going, we have got to execute our game plan now. When we started executing things just fell into place."

The 'Kittens' 64 total team digs prevented Benedictine from making any runs.

Despite Benedictine's loss, the 'Kittens still had to focus on the execution of plays.

"When we executed our game plan we were fine," Pelster said. "When we

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## HOMETOWN PRIDE



Linda Stephens, proud Maryville mother of No. 47, senior co-captain Bryce Stephens, cheers the Bearcats onto their win at the Family Day game. Jack Vaught - Photo Director

## Sweethearts support football team

## Liasons for players far away from home

SHARON JOHNSON  
Missourian Staff

The Bearcat Sweethearts is an organization that was founded in 1989 by Bearcat head football coach Bud Elliott.

The Bearcat Sweethearts got their name when Elliott moved here from Texas. He had already started a chapter in Texas, where he was the head coach at the University of Texas-Arlington. They were called the Maverick Sweethearts. The reason it was originally founded, was to help out the coach with the recruitment of new players by showing their parents around campus and making sure that the men did not get out of hand.

"He would just have too many future players to show around campus by himself," Bearcat Sweetheart Angie Zaner said. "He needed help in doing it and so the Bearcat Sweethearts came into being."

The Sweethearts are also assigned two sets of parents who have a son on the team, to keep them up to date.

"We write to them and tell them how their sons are doing and things that are going on with the team, like how the game went," Zaner said.

"We send the parents clippings or articles that might be written about them. Some parents live too far away to come to the games, and most of the players don't write or call home as often as they should."

The Sweethearts decorate the locker rooms, have fund-raisers and hand out treats to the football team after practice or before a game.

If the Bearcats have an away game, the Sweethearts have doughnuts or some other treat waiting for them when they board the bus.

"We do this to show them that we care about them," Zaner said.

The Sweethearts sometimes travel with the team.

"They do as much cheering for the Bearcats as the cheerleaders do," Kathy Elliott, former Bearcat Sweetheart sponsor, said.

Some of the fund-raisers they have done so far this year have included selling barbecue sauce and cupcakes at the Family Day football game.

"We are planning a garage sale/

bake sale. We will try to get some of the organizations in town to donate some items," Zaner said.

The Sweethearts are also involved with the middle school students.

"We have little sisters or brothers from the middle school that we are assigned to," Allisa Miller, Sweetheart president, said. "We are tutors for them. We try to do things with them at least once a week, like taking them out for ice cream, for walks, to the park or something like that."

The Bearcat Sweethearts is an organization just for the football team.

"It was started by the football coach, so that's probably why it is only for football. I think there should be one for all the sports teams, to let them know that they are loved and appreciated just as the football team is," Zaner said.

The Bearcat Sweethearts help to promote school spirit. They are the most active in the fall when the football season is in session.

They are also busy in the spring, helping with the recruitment of new players and showing them around the campus.

"It also helps the girls learn about football," Kathy said.

## Coleman aspiring degree, pros

CHRIS GEGG  
Missourian Staff

For senior defensive back Percy Coleman the dream of playing professional football has become a goal as he advances through the steps that might lead to his aspiration.

The first step was receiving a quality education at Northwest.

"I came out of high school with troubles," 194-pound Coleman said. Because of these troubles, big schools decided not to give Coleman a chance. However, that was not the case with Bearcat head coach Bud Elliott.

"Somehow Coach Elliott gave me a call through one of his scout assistants and he sent me to a junior college for a year and then I ended up here," Coleman said.

Coleman, from Houston, Texas, will graduate in December with a bachelor's in sociology.

"He has grown to the point where he knows definitely what he needs to do as far as getting an education and what it takes to get it done, and he takes



Coleman

care of these things," Elliott said.

Once Coleman started pursuing his education, the maturity factor started to play a role in his goal to become a professional football player.

"Percy is pretty much self-made," Elliott said. "I think he has done a lot of maturing over the years that he's been here, and I think he'll be the first to admit that."

Coleman agrees. "I have matured a lot over the past four years. I can see that in myself. I'm pretty quiet. I'm not one of those real feisty players. I've learned a lot since I've started here."

Coleman hopes the knowledge he has gained at Northwest will be valuable in the long run, as his dream is to play professional football.

"Professional football is my highest goal right now," Coleman said. "I think I have a good shot. After the season I will be doing some workouts that, hopefully, will pay off."

According to Elliott, the dream of playing professional football is one that only the selected few will obtain.

"As far as professional goes, there are millions of players every year who play football in the United States and out of that million possible players, there are only 200 rookies who make it in the national football league," Elliott said. "That is a goal that is very difficult

to reach."

For Coleman, he must first finish his senior year and graduate.

"My main goal this semester is to become All-American," Coleman said. "I want to lead conference with interceptions again. And I just want to help the team win."

Coleman was named to the 1991 MIAA First Team (defensive back). He was the defensive player of the year at Northwest last year. This year he was named preseason All-American.

"We were really satisfied with the way he played the first ball game, and I am sure that he feels like he can play better, but that's the sign of a good player," Elliott said.

Coleman admits after the first game he thought he could have done better.

"Actually, on the first game I got to a slow start, but I came on a little after that," Coleman said. "On the second game I was a little more comfortable with my focus than I was on the first game. I think I played pretty good in the second game."

As Coleman prepares to graduate in only four months, he knows what he will miss.

"The thing that I will miss the most will be getting to know all these people around here, as well as the experience here at college," Coleman said.

## Volleyball

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would have a mental lapse or a physical error they would take advantage of that, and we had to cut the errors down on our side."

Caley and freshman middle hitter Tami Lichtas both prevailed against Benedictine with their kills.

"Heather Caley and Tami Lichtas, as freshmen, both had excellent matches for us," Pelster said.

Previously, the 'Kittens participated in the MIAA Round Robin I Friday, Sept. 18, and Saturday, Sept. 19.

The Bearkittens were 2-3, tying with Missouri Southern, Missouri Western, Northeast Missouri and Pittsburg State.

Central Missouri, Emporia and University of Missouri-St. Louis are all 5-0.

"The match we were all looking forward to was against Central," Caley said. "They're rated, so when we went into the match we knew we had nothing to lose, but they had everything to lose."

This weekend, the 'Kittens will participate in the Peru State College 1992 Fall Festival Tournament in Peru, Neb. Tournament play will begin 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, against Graceland College.

"We have previously beaten Graceland and St. Mary's but we're very evenly matched with those two schools, so we're going to have to play good ball again because they are going to be ready to play us," Pelster said.

The 'Kittens will then face Columbia College at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25.

Tournament pool play will begin 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, when the Bearkittens will face St. Mary's College.

The Bearkittens are optimistic about the tournament.

"Our goal for this tournament is to win everything, because we can do it," senior setter Jennifer Hepburn said. "We have played all the teams in the tournament and if we play up to our potential we'll reach our goal."

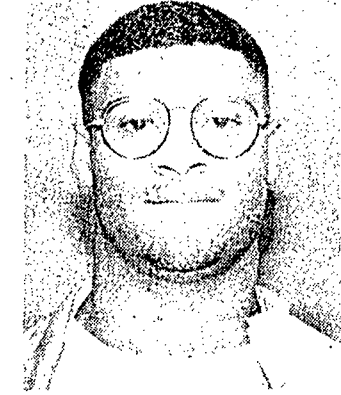
## PLAYER WATCH

## Grant McCartney

Junior fullback Grant McCartney received his first touchdown Saturday, Sept. 19, against the University of Missouri-Rolla Miners where he rushed 104 yards and had eight carries.

The touchdown was a first for McCartney in his football career.

"I never expected a touchdown on such a long run," McCartney said. "My eyes opened real wide and all I saw was the goal line. When I turned around all I saw was a bunch of guys running after me."



## Football

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Wise ran 53 yards for a touchdown. This closed out the scoring for both teams as the Bearcats notched their first win. The Bearcats raised their record to 1-2 overall and 1-0 in the MIAA, while UMR dropped to 1-2 and 0-1.

The Bearcat defense played well holding the Miners to 222 yards of total offense. Leading the way was junior free safety Cody Buhrmeister he registered 11 tackles and blocked a field goal. For his efforts he was named MIAA defensive player of the week. Junior linebacker Ahmed Mortis again led the team with 12 tackles.

"Our overall performance was very good," Bearcat head coach Bud Elliott

said. "I only wish we had played this well in the first two ballgames."

The Bearcats will hit the road for the first time this year when they travel to Topeka, Kan. to take on Washburn University at 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at the Moore Bowl on Washburn's campus.

"Washburn is an aggressive football team that plays hard," Elliott said. "They sometimes lack consistency and that is what we need to take advantage of."

The Ichabods are still reeling from two straight blowout losses. Northeast defeated them by the score of 42-8 last week, while Southwest Missouri State University trounced them 66-15 in their first away game. This will be the Ichabods home opener.

BRETT WATCH  
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George Brett is 9 hits shy of his 3,000 career mark. With 2,991 total hits he has 11 games left this season before obtaining his goal.

Wednesday, Sept. 23, the Seattle Mariners defeated the Royals 6-1. The Royals defeated the Mariners Tuesday, Sept. 22, 3-0.

## WEEKEND FOOTBALL PREVIEW

Team and Game Information	Game Highlights	Players to Watch
<b>Northwest (1-2) vs. Washburn (0-2)</b> 7 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 26 Moore Bowl, Topeka, Kan.	The Bearcats notched their first victory of the year with a win over the University of Missouri-Rolla Miners. They defeated the Ichabods last year 29-3. The Bearcats completed one pass on Saturday giving them a total of five complete passes for the season. This is the home opener for the Ichabods. Northwest holds a 6-4 lifetime series lead.	<b>Bearcats:</b> Grant McCartney led the way for the Bearcats with 104 yards rushing. He also scored his first career touchdown. Kenny Stokes returned a kickoff for a touchdown last week, the Bearcats' first since 1987. Cody Buhrmeister was selected as the MIAA defensive player of the week. <b>Ichabods:</b> Their defense has allowed an average of 54 points in two games.
<b>Missouri (0-2) vs. Indiana (2-0)</b> 11:30 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 26 in Bloomington, Ind.	The upset-minded Tigers led at halftime last week, but eventually fell to the No. 5 ranked Texas A&M Aggies. MU's first three games have been against bowl teams from last year. Indiana has been to a bowl five of the last six years and was the only Big Ten team to win its postseason game last year.	<b>Tigers:</b> Quarterback Phil Johnson is questionable for Saturday due to a sprained right index finger. Punter Kyle Pooler had an average of 52.5 yards per punt, which set an MU record. <b>Hoosiers:</b> Charles Beachamp is a smash-mouth football player on the defensive side of the ball. Quarterback Trent Green is one of the best run-pass threats in the nation.
<b>Iowa (1-2) vs. Colorado (3-0)</b> Saturday, Sept. 26 in Boulder, Colo.	The Hawkeyes are playing on the road this week against another top team. The Hawkeyes need a victory to solidify them as a top team. The Buffalos barely escaped an upset-minded Minnesota. Colorado is a 7 1/2 point favorite to win the game.	<b>Hawkeyes:</b> Quarterback Jim Hartleb has struggled through the first part of the season. If the Hawkeyes want to win Saturday, he must have a big day. <b>Buffaloes:</b> The Buffs probably overlooked Minnesota and almost played for it last week. Experts say that Colorado has the best linebackers in the country.
<b>Kansas (3-0) vs. California (2-0)</b> 7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 24 in Lawrence, Kan.	A third straight blowout propelled the Jayhawks into the top 25. The game pits two upstart teams who are both looking for national notoriety. The national spotlight will be on both teams as the game will be televised on ESPN.	<b>Jayhawks:</b> A big test for the Jayhawks this week as Heisman candidate Russell White and his California Golden Bears visit Lawrence. The running game will have to come to life if Jayhawks want to win. <b>Golden Bears:</b> White is seeking his third 1,000-yard rushing season. Sean Dawkins is one of the best all-around wideouts anywhere.
<b>Nebraska (2-1) vs. Arizona St. (1-1)</b> Saturday, Sept. 26 in Lincoln, Neb.	A typical performance was turned out last week by the Cornhuskers when they lost to Washington. They are 0-7 since 1989 against ranked teams. ASU quarterback Garrick McGee has been put on probation for his part in three burglaries and has been identified as a passenger in a drive-by shooting.	<b>Cornhuskers:</b> Calvin Jones' 73-yard touchdown run in the second quarter could not counter their turnovers. Their defense must recover from a disappointing performance. <b>Sun Devils:</b> Quarterback Troy Rauer may get to start due to the probation of McGee. Rauer is a native of St. Joseph.
<b>Kansas City (2-1) vs. Los Angeles (0-3)</b> 8 p.m., Monday, Sept. 28 Arrowhead Stadium, in Kansas City	The Chiefs are coming off a disappointing loss in overtime to the Oilers. A Monday night game with the Raiders this week means a packed house at Arrowhead Stadium. The Chiefs look to extend their winning streak over the Raiders to five games.	<b>Chiefs:</b> Third-down specialist Todd McNair averaged 7.2 yards per carry. Kicker Nick Lowery is 5-for-6 on field goal attempts after a 20-yard miss in the third quarter against the Oilers. <b>Raiders:</b> Quarterback Todd Marinovich completed 33 of 59 attempts for 395 yards. They had 464 yards of total offense. Marinovich is 0-3 lifetime as a starter.



**KENT PORTERFIELD**

Learn more about this former Northwest student that went from being a student to assisting them. **page B-2**

**RUMMAGE SALES**

Find out how some Northwest students have learned to stretch a dollar, and what the money can buy if you know where to look. **page B-2**

# CAMPUS LIFE

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Section B

EXCLUSIVE

## Elvis seen driving ARA cart



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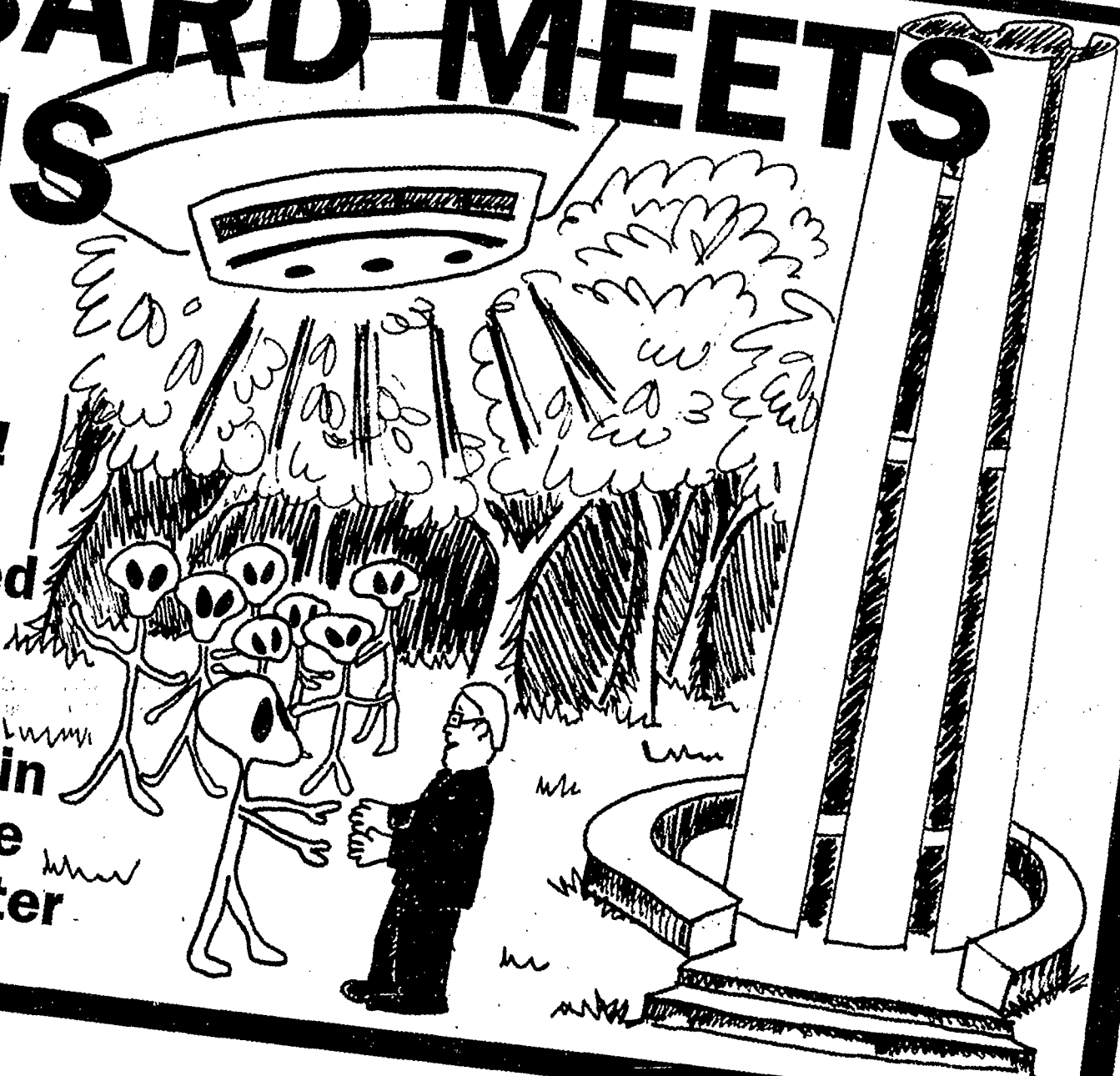
# NORTHWEST INQUISITOR

## HUBBARD MEETS ALIENS

**CAPs reserves Garth Brooks for spring concert!**

**Best, worst dressed at Color Me Badd**

**Colden Pond fountain found to be blowhole for Loch Ness monster**



# TABLOIDS

## Yellow journalism spurs grocery-store gossip

**SHANE WHITAKER**  
Missourian Staff

The headlines jump out, grabbing eyes and forcing laughter, as you ponder: could this really be true?

The scene in grocery stores all across the nation is the same as people direct their way to the checkout lines and pass the tabloid jungle.

Tabloids are the product of an earlier form of journalism known as yellow journalism.

It started almost 100 years ago in New York. Yellow journalism was the sensationalized news stories to help sales during the Spanish-American War. In the 1920s it changed to the tabloid format, yet remained in New York and was renamed Jazz Journalism.

This type of journalism is known nationwide today with major papers

like National Enquirer, Star, Globe and The Weekly World News.

Everyone may not agree with the ethics used by these publications, but apparently the business is good.

"The bottom line in any business is profitability and those particular papers know how to sell a paper," Matthew Bosio, mass communications instructor, said. "They have to be a profitable company to withstand those kind of lawsuits."

Bosio said because they lose a lot of lawsuits, it shows their reporters are not trying to get all the truths. Libel, the slandering of a person in print, has granted large sums to people in court.

"Not all they report verges on lies, it's just they look for the novelty in stories and sensational treatment to attract readership," Bosio said.

Junior Jame Barbieri said she buys a tabloid for entertainment about once a month, but not the Enquirer or Star.

"Those aren't as interesting," she said. "They're not as creative as the really trashy ones."

Barbieri said two of her favorite stories are the ones with a 48-pound anorexic that was pregnant and a boy with a horse's body.

Some people refuse to buy them, but don't mind getting a quick laugh off of them while in the supermarket line.

Senior Matthew Williams said while he thinks they are mindless, he often picks one up and glances at it while shopping. Others don't just glance; they buy one or even more of these papers.

"Some people buy like six of them

at one time," sophomore Jennifer Lynn said.

Lynn works at Food-4-Less and notices a lot of people going through the lines picking them up and laughing at the headlines. Lynn said older people buy them and only a few students.

Cheryl Meyer, assistant professor of psychology, said tabloids seem to work on stereotypes.

"I am of the opinion that reinforcing someone's stereotypes by persisting a biased view is psychologically damaging," Meyer said.

Meyer said tabloids, however, can have a positive affect in some cases.

"Say I have Seasonal Affective Disorder and I see an article in National Enquirer on it," she said. "It might make me feel better because I know what it is."

Stars are almost always the focus in tabloids. Meyer said the Prattfall Effect may be part of the reason.

"The Prattfall Effect is liking people more after they commit a blunder because now you see them as being regular," Meyer said. "It doesn't distance them anymore. People want to identify with them and have a secret connection."

Bosio said tabloids do not seem in any danger of losing business even with the big craze in tabloid television.

Freshman Lisa Estep said she won't read tabloids in the grocery store lines.

"I might watch the ones on TV, like 'A Current Affair,'" Estep said. "Some of the stuff is true in them."

Bearcat Bookstore Manager Kent Marlow said they will probably discontinue their sale of Star and National

Enquirer because the sales are low. He said they get one or two of each magazine a week and they very seldom sell.

Meyer said college students are more critical of authority and may be critical of tabloids because they view them as an authority.

Bosio believes high sales around the nation indicate a desire for off-the-wall news.

"It's tough to sell a story on Clinton's economic policy, but a story about a child raised by monkeys really goes a long way," Bosio said.

Bosio said there is no way to infringe on their rights to publish because they, too, are secured by the First Amendment.

"The First Amendment protects those publications as well as any other," he said.

## Room decorations show off personalities

**JENNIFER STEWART**  
Missourian Staff

A home away from home, that's what it is for Northwest students. After being at home all those years and finally getting out into the real world and moving into a private place, one of the first things thought about is how to fix up the room in the residence hall.

Students usually go for the wild and bizarre as a chance to show some creativity bottled up inside. It can be displayed by painting walls outrageous colors or completely rearranging the room itself. Beds become shifted or even elevated, closet doors come off, and of course, money is spent.

"When they bring things from home and they buy things to personalize it

and color coordinate, it makes it more comfortable and more homelike," Jami Johnson, sophomore resident assistant, said. For those freshmen and transfer students, it can be hard to adjust to the new surroundings and it's nice to have an oasis to go to. The smallest reminder of home can be comforting.

Freshmen roommates Marc Vasquez and Gene Gregory had redwood lofts built for their room. With help from Gregory's dad, a shop teacher, the lofts were able to be built in about four hours. The cost was close to \$80. With the elevated lofts, more room exists underneath the beds for overnight guests. "If we have friends over ... we can sleep four people in here," Vasquez said.

Lofts are not the only thing available when wanting more floor space. Sophomore Bradshaw Cowan and freshman Jason Johnson, also roommates, modified old bunk beds to fit their room. It leaves one side of the room vacant for a stereo, refrigerator or fan. If extra storage room is a problem, then investing in a private room may be an option.

Freshman Rebecca Hall has a room to herself and space usually is not a problem. With her two single beds moved together as one, floor space is enlarged. Rubbermaid containers in the closets and under the beds make for more organization which in turn gives Hall more space.

"After going into other people's

rooms and seeing how they have to get things, it (the containers) is so much easier," Hall said. "They stack up really nice and you can just pull them out."

One other added feature to Hall's room that makes it more unique is the close to \$300 spent on the decor. A combination of vividly colored fish and Mickey Mouse emblems give it that added touch of home. Although worried about her wild tastes, Hall gave in and decided to do it her way.

"Well, I gotta do what I wanna do," Hall said. "I was like, who cares, it's me."

If absolute craziness is a desired

see DECORATIONS on page B-2



Rebecca Hall studies in the comfort of her room. Decorated rooms make studying and relaxing easier. Larry Smith - Staff Photographer



## Porterfield valuable to dean of students

AMY WILMES  
Missourian Staff

More often than not, students graduate from college and find themselves in a career far away from the college or university they attended. However, Kent Porterfield is one of the few exceptions.

Porterfield, a May 1989 Northwest graduate, obtained the position of assistant dean to Denise Ottinger, dean of students, July '91. As a student, Porterfield worked very close with Bill Disney, former director of Student Services, he served as president for Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, was involved in Student Senate, Blue Key and other student organizations.

Porterfield's original plans were to teach history and social sciences at the secondary level in public schools.

The summer after graduation, however, Disney encouraged Porterfield to come back and work on his master's degree as well as be a graduate assistant to Disney.

Some of Porterfield's responsibilities as a grad assistant were to work with the Inter-Fraternity Council, which led to his position as a director of the J.W. Jones Student Union and the University Conference Center. Porterfield scheduled activities and took care of facility maintenance.

In the fall of '91, Disney announced his retirement, but a suitable candidate was not found for replacement. Eventually, Porterfield found himself in a temporary administrative position to take Disney's place. At the end of Porterfield's term, his contract was renewed.

"Key people left the institution at a time when I was just beginning to transform myself from a student to an administrator," Porterfield said. "It just

so happened those people were phasing themselves out."

With this new position, Porterfield felt overwhelmed.

"As a whole it was baptism by fire you might say," Porterfield said.

That it was, but Porterfield's past experience is what made his job as assistant dean possible.

According to Ottinger, Porterfield had all the qualifications she was looking for in an assistant.

"Kent relates well with all types of people," Ottinger said. "He is a quick study and is very eager to learn."

Although many of Porterfield's duties as assistant dean are interacting with students and faculty, he continues to be responsible for managing the Union and Conference Center.

"Since we do not have a director of Student Activities, I do the majority of the coordination of those activities," Porterfield said. "I work with student organizations by providing leadership and help implement leadership programs."

Other duties for the assistant dean include helping Ottinger with the investigation of disciplinary cases. This can entail investigating the case and gathering information to be presented to the Student/Faculty Disciplinary Committee.

"Dr. Ottinger actually supervises the discipline system," Porterfield said. "I will probably just pick up the cases that don't fit under her time slot."

Ottinger has positive feelings about the addition of Porterfield.

"I have already noticed the difference at least as far as my position that there has been a sense of relief knowing that Kent is there to assist me," Ottinger said.

In terms of lifestyle change for



Assistant Dean of Students Kent Porterfield tackles the paper work of another long day. He replaced former director of Student Services Bill Disney in fall of '91. Don Carlick - Chief Photographer

Porterfield, he feels he works just as many hours as he did before.

"There are a lot of late afternoons, evenings and weekend functions that I must attend," Porterfield said. "I expect hours to be long in this area. If it wasn't something I enjoyed, this would not be the place for me."

Porterfield finished his master's degree in science and education with a focus on administration and supervision. Following this, Porterfield mar-

ried in June. According to Porterfield, his personal lifestyle was changing more than his professional one.

"Sometime in the next five to seven years I need to consider going back for a Ph.D.," Porterfield said. "I haven't decided which institution to look at, a lot of things can change from now."

Eventually, Porterfield plans to work in a dean of students position and hopefully a vice president position of student affairs.

"A chief student affairs position is the ultimate goal, but I have a long way to go," Porterfield said. "I have a lot to learn and it is an absolute that you complete the doctoral degree."

The University has played a major role in his life and Porterfield feels his time at Northwest has been well spent.

"Northwest has been good to me, I have done all my undergraduate work here, my graduate work here and now I will be starting my fourth year."

## Decorations

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look for a room, you may want to visit freshmen Shane Johnson and Chris Hornbaker's room. Together they have situated various sticker constellations on their ceiling along with a moon and when a special effect black light is turned on, the stars take on a whole new, iridescent life. The decor is not a new hobby, Hornbaker likes it mainly for the visual effects. Johnson has different reasons.

"I'm more interested in it because the girls like it," Johnson jokes. Even though they said it has never really gotten them a date, they're still hoping.

For the most part students just want to try something a little different than what they had at home.

"I think mainly they want to do whatever they feel and want to show their personality," Hudson Hall Director Amanda Blecha said. "I bet their mom and dad wouldn't allow them to do their room like that, so they come here and they have the freedom to just do whatever they want."

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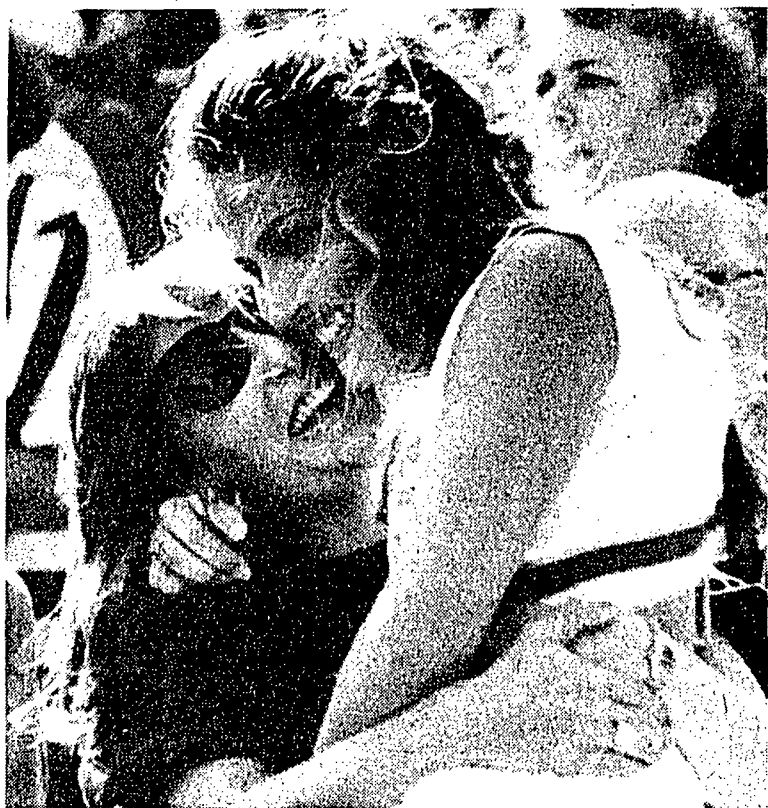
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## MOTHERLY LOVE



Stepper Angela Bonella hugs her mother, Marie, at the football game on Saturday, Sept. 19. Family Day let parents experience life at Northwest. Jack Vaught - Photo Director

## Sales offer great bargains

SHANE WHITAKER  
Missourian Staff

Garage, yard and rummage sales, as well as auctions, provide a cheap alternative to the regular department-store prices.

"Our whole house is decorated with stuff from yard sales," freshman Scott Phelps said. "From floor to ceiling we have wall hangings, furniture, lamps, tables and we even have a few items we don't know what they are; we just make them into something."

Phelps said the more bizarre and unusual the object is the more likely he is to buy it. Not only strange stuff can be found, but practical household items can also be bought at a very low cost.

"We got a microwave for \$25 at an auction," sophomore Baha Sayiner said. "It's not brand new, but it's decent. It does the job, and that's the point."

Sayiner said he's been to auctions around Maryville and even in Iowa, and they are not hard to find.

"It's pretty good stuff for a cheap price," Sayiner said. "I'm not going to buy new furniture, and I can't take it from home."

Clothes stacked on tables, different colors and patterns everywhere, this was the scene at the First Christian Church rummage sale Sept. 18-19. There were racks of dresses, sport coats and a collection of old ties.

"They had a lot of great clothing, but I had to dig through a lot," junior Jennifer Pogue said. "I think I raided one lady's wardrobe."

Pogue said she likes to buy older clothing and alter it to fit today's fashions.

"You can take a simple dress and change the length, waist or drape as long as you like the fabric," Pogue said. "The thing about rummage sales is you get totally different patterns, fabrics and colors that people have forgotten."

The stereotype of these sales being for housewives is fading fast, since they have become en vogue.

"If you have an imagination you can redesign it, but if not, maybe they are for old ladies," Pogue said.

Pogue felt the prices for the rummage sale were cheap.

"The prices are better than you get anywhere else, - \$3 for stuffing everything you want in a bag," Pogue said.

Brown paper bags were available to everyone at the door. One could also purchase an armload for \$5.

Phelps said there is a limit to how far he will go on items purchased at garage sales.

"I never buy anything that has been in somebody else's mouth," Phelps said.

Pogue finds out about sales in the papers, on the radio and by word of mouth. In addition, Phelps said he can drive down the road and find out about yard sales.

"During the summer you'll be driving and on one corner in every neighborhood there is a corner with signs," Phelps said. "We just go to them one by one."

## Greek identification costs time, money

KRISTIN HILL  
Missourian Staff

A timid freshman walked up to a fraternity table during the Northwest organizational fair. The only thing running through his mind was how much this was going to cost?

Fraternity dues generally run anywhere from \$150 per semester to \$160 per semester. These dues pay for a wide variety of costs.

Every fraternity pays a specified amount to their national chapter and to the Inter-Fraternity Council.

"Dues pay for local and national dues, a fraternity newsletter perhaps, conferences, whether on the national or local level," Gary Pilgrim, IFC president, said.

The national chapter may send fraternities pamphlets about the fraternity, and the dues would help pay for such a cost, Pilgrim said.

According to Pilgrim, "Each fraternity pays \$2 per member to IFC, for awards, dinners and any speakers we (IFC) may bring to Northwest."

There is also the additional cost of the fraternity house. This cost is also paid for in dues by some fraternities.

"You have to pay insurance and liability for the house," Pilgrim said. "The house is the responsibility of everyone who comes in and out."

In addition to dues and housing, fraternities also pay for social events, such as Rush and Homecoming.

"It takes a lot of money to take people to a Royals' game (for Rush)," Pilgrim said.

As for sororities, the story is slightly different, since none of the sororities own a house.

Sorority dues generally run from \$180 per year to \$250 per year. Unlike the fraternities, however, there is a nominal fee for Rush, \$20.

"The cost of our sorority would be extremely higher if we had a house," Melanie Griswold, Alpha Sigma Alpha president, said.

However, the dues go for the same things as do fraternities.

"We have to pay for national dues, social functions, Rush, and we give a large amount of money to our philanthropy," Griswold said. A philanthropy is a charity or cause that a fraternity or sorority gives money to during the course of the year.

In addition to all of the regular dues, there are also the miscellaneous costs

of being in a sorority or fraternity.

The cost of a sweat shirt with Greek letters on it cost between \$20 and \$30.

Every year, each fraternity and sorority have their annual formal. The average cost of the banquet is \$8 to \$10 per person. Transportation is up to the individual, and it is usually paid for by the member.

Most females borrow dresses from friends or use the dresses they wore at their high school proms. However, if a dress cannot be found, the average price for a dress is between \$100 and \$300, depending on how much she is willing to spend.

Males usually rent a tuxedo. At Livingston's Clothing Store in Maryville, tuxedos can be rented anywhere from \$49 to \$79.

**"You get a lot back from a sorority. You learn a lot about being a leader, and you learn a lot about yourself."**

Stacy Boring  
Phi Mu president

working on skits for Homecoming, but it doesn't seem as much like work when you are with friends," Stacy Boring, Phi Mu president, said.

The personal benefits reaped by spending this much time with people differs from individual to individual.

"You get a lot back from a sorority," Boring said. "You learn a lot about being a leader, and you learn a lot about yourself."

Those that are involved with Greek organizations tend to be turned off by the misconception that they are "buying friends."

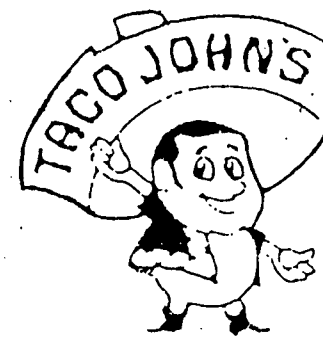
According to Griswold, "You have to pay for every organization you are in, and an organization cannot run without money. What is the difference between other organizations and a sorority or fraternity?"

When asked how they would respond, several Greeks said they wouldn't even justify such accusations with a reply. However, after some thought, they came up with an often times sarcastic comeback, which they feel to be true.

Carmen Hoag, sophomore Delta Zeta pledge, said the concept of "buying friends" is misunderstood.

"If being in a sorority means I am buying friends, it is the best buy I have ever made," Hoag said.

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WEEKEND  
PLANNER

## MOVIES

## Maryville

Missouri Twin Cinema  
(check theater for show times)  
"Sneakers"  
"Unforgiven"  
"Single White Female"

## St. Joseph

Hillcrest 4 Theater  
(check theater for show times)  
"Out on a Limb"  
"Captain Ron"  
"Innocent Blood"  
"Pet Semetary 2"  
"Mighty Ducks"

## Plaza 8 Theater

(check theater for show times)  
"Single White Female"  
"Sister Act"  
"League of Their Own"  
"Mr. Saturday Night"  
"Last of the Mohicans"  
"Sneakers"  
"Honeymoon in Vegas"  
"Unforgiven"

## Trail Theater

(check theater for show times)  
"Universal Soldier"

## NIGHTLIFE

## Kansas City

Faster Pussycat  
Sept. 28  
The Lone Star

Echo and the Bunnymen  
Sept. 29  
Shadow

## Omaha

Micheal Martin Murphy  
Sept. 24-26  
Orpheum Theatre

## Lawrence

Bikini Kill, Molly  
McGuire & Torque  
Sept. 25  
The Outhouse

Prong, Big Chief and  
Season To Risk  
Sept. 30  
The Outhouse

## STAGE

## St. Joseph

"Lend Me a Tenor"  
Sept. 25-27  
Missouri Theatre

## "Suitehearts"

Sept. 25-26, 7 p.m.  
Sept. 27, 1 p.m.

## Kansas City

"As Time Goes By"  
Sept. 24-26, 8 p.m.  
Quality Hill Playhouse

"I Hate Hamlet"  
Sept. 24-26, 8 p.m.  
Sept. 27, 2 p.m.  
American Heartland Theatre

## "Aida"

Sept. 25, 8 p.m.  
Lyric Theatre

David Pierson's Dance Company  
Sept. 26, 8 p.m.  
Folly Theatre

## Des Moines

"The Sherman Hemsley Show"  
Sept. 25-26  
Ingersoll Dinner Theatre

## FESTIVALS

## St. Joseph

Robidoux Festival  
Sept. 26-27

## Kansas City

Renaissance Festival  
Sept. 26-27, 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m.  
Bonner Springs, Kan.

One Love Reggae  
Weekend Concerts  
Sept. 25-26, 4-11 p.m.  
One Drop's Outdoor Stage

## Omaha

Railroad Days  
Sept. 26-27

## SPORTS

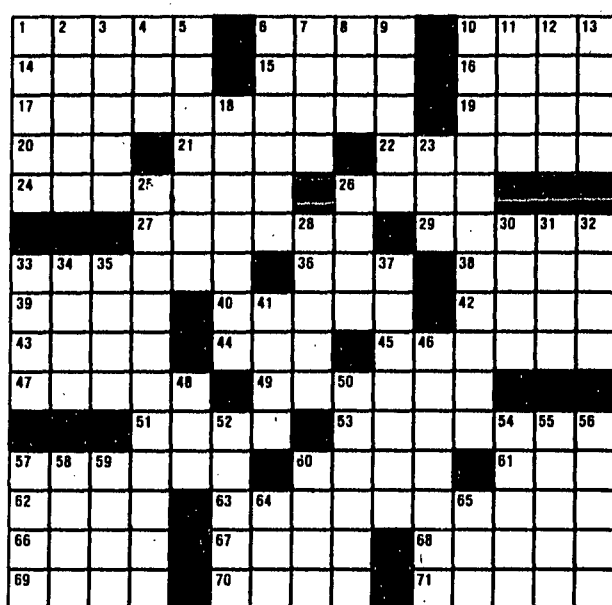
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Kansas City Chiefs vs.  
Los Angeles Raiders  
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Arrowhead Stadium

## THE Crossword

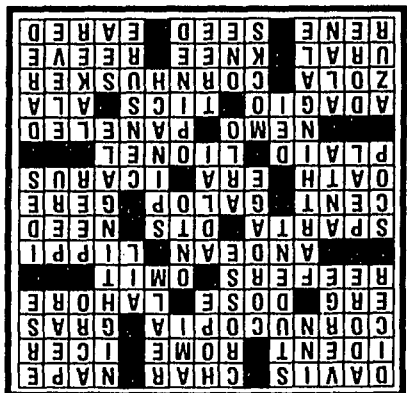
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## ANSWERS



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## Crowe has winning edge in 'Singles'

Cameron Crowe's "Singles" is an arresting, genuinely engaging film about unattached twentysomethings looking for love in Seattle. If you're looking for the screen version of "Melrose Place," you'll be somewhat disappointed. Although the main characters here live in an apartment complex similar to the one on "Place" and have many equal experiences of those characters, this film isn't cornball, high-gloss television. Crowe, who also wrote the screenplay in addition to directing "Singles," has too much respect for his story and characters to do that.

Perhaps you've heard the story on Crowe. Before becoming a filmmaker, Crowe was a journalist who worked for "Rolling Stone" for several years. Sometime later, he went undercover at a California high school and wrote a book about his experiences. The book became the impetus for the groundbreaking movie, "Fast Times at Ridgemont High," for which he also wrote the screenplay. Years later, in 1989, he wrote and directed the wonderful "Say Anything..." which garnered a great deal of critical acclaim. With these two films, he gave us some crisp, memorable characters (the stoned-since-the-third-grade Jeff Spicoli and the caring, sensitive Lloyd Dobler) and dialogue ("That was my skull! I'm so wasted!" and "You're breaking up with me and you're giving me a pen?").

Now he's back with a view of contemporary romance in "Singles," a film which takes a look at the love lives of six people in their twenties. We first meet Steve (Campbell Scott, son of George C. Scott), who works for a public transportation agency. We then meet Linda (Kyra Sedgwick), an environmentalist who is in love with Steve.

We then meet Cliff (Matt Dillon) and Janet (Bridget Fonda), neighbors in the apartment complex who work together at a coffee shop and, like Steve and Linda, have an ongoing romance. Janet is a waitress who wants to go to architecture school; Cliff is an inept musician for a grunge group called Citizen Dick, a local band.

Also mixed with these folks are Jim True and Sheila Kelley, whose roles here are mostly tangential to the main occurrences of Steve, Linda, Cliff and Janet. We follow these characters as they try to come to grips with their personal and professional lives. Rest assured these developments are not treated in soap opera-style fashion. Crowe, as he acutely demonstrated in "Say Anything..." has a deft touch with his performers. He has keen eye for dialogue, nuance and body language. In his films, characters often suggest more than what they say or do. Indeed, one of the film's best scenes has Cliff becoming fumed after Janet sneezes next to him. "What? Man, are

## off the mark

by Mark Parisi



## Wolfbane



## Wild Kingdom

By Anthony Rubino, Jr.

THINGS THAT SUCK  
THE THEME SONG

Sung to the tune of "My Favorite Things" from The Sound of Music.

Biting on tin foil, dog farts and foot fungus,  
high impact erotics, mosquitos that sting us,  
paying the phone bill when its ninety bucks,  
these are a few of the things I think suck.

Lyme ticks and Oprah and big oozing blisters,  
dandruff and back zits and pesky big stars,  
a life threatening bone crushing wreck with a truck,  
these are a few of the things I think suck.

When hung-over, when the grades stink,  
when I'm feeceeling saaaaaad, I simply  
remember some things that suck worse,  
and then I don't feel soooooo baaaaad!

Burning your mouth on a hot piece of pizza,  
calling her Nancy when her name is Lisa,  
taking a gamble and having no luck,  
these are a few of the things I think suck.

Hot head and bad head, a big wooden splinter,  
licking a pole in the middle of winter,  
thinking of things that rhyme with the sound uck,  
these are a few of the things I think suck.

When the car dies, when the pipes burst,  
when I'm feeceeling saaaaaad, I simply  
remember some things that suck worse,  
and then I don't feel soooooo baaaaad!

THANKYOU THANKYOUVERYMUCH THANKYOU!

## SAY WHAT?

The Inside Scoop on the Entertainment Industry

**BELLS FOR BACH** Sebastian Bach of the rock group Skid Row recently took a trip down the aisle. Longtime mate Maria Aquiar was the blushing bride.

**ICE-T ON TV** Controversial rapper Ice-T will begin taping a talk show for HBO. He will act as a host in four half-hour shows set to be shot in Bel-Air, Calif. They are scheduled to begin in early 1993.

**REVIEWING RIVERA** Talk show host Geraldo Rivera recently celebrated the filming of episode 1,000. The show featured a look back at some of the more popular episodes, including the skinhead, chairthrowing fiasco.

**WAY?** Dana Carvey has recently been hassled that the only reason he's making a second "Wayne's World" movie is for the money. Carvey denied such thoughts and responded with the following statement: "At the end of the day, all the money gets you is a better place to watch television."

**PROMOTERS PROSECUTED** Two Philadelphia concert promoters have been found guilty of defrauding several of the big names in entertainment including Madonna, the Rolling Stones, Genesis, Pink Floyd, U2, the Who and Paul McCartney.

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## Test questions provoke misery

Does anybody else out there feel like they're drowning in a sea of multiple choice, essay and true or false questions?

This week Your Hero has been tossed around so much on the rough, choppy sea of computer-generated test jargon, I feel like I'm aboard the S.S. Minnow with the Skipper and Gilligan, and we're rolling toward the Bermuda Triangle.

I'm ready for the life boat of lucidity. I walked into one class only to be met by a smiling teacher waving a packet of papers and saying, "I have a little quizzy for you. It's just a little quizzy."

Five pages, 100 questions, three pencils and two Depends diapers later, I was finished with his "little quizzy." Exhausted and weak, I handed it to him and said, "If that's your idea of a quizzy, I'd hate to see your testies."

Or how about this question. I once saw on a test: If A = 37.5, do you think Hitler would have been happier if he could have grown a better moustache and what effect would this have on the ozone layer today considering the theory of relativity, and remember to apply Newton's Law of Gravity. Please explain your answer.

PLEASE EXPLAIN THE QUESTION, YOU CLOWN SCHOOL REJECT!

Isn't the idea that you should be tested over what you were supposed to learn, and not tricked into making a stupid answer.

Let me offer a few examples I've

run across. Question: What led to the ending of the Civil War in 1863? After a four-page answer, front and back, I handed in my paper thinking I had done a most superb job. Next class period I get my test back with a big fat F on it. The teacher had been so kind as to jot me a little note which read, "Wrong, you idiot. The war ended in 1865, not 1863. If you had read more carefully you would have seen it was a trick question and could have simply answered that the war did not end in 1863. Ha, ha. Got you, sucker."

## The Stroller

Where's a good pit bull when you need one?

I'm sure you've seen my next example. Question: Darwin's Theory of Evolution was a) based on research conducted on an island; b) was not a theory at all because he smoked too much of the island's native grass; c) both A and B; d) neither A nor B; e) A both in the answers to the previous question; f) none of the above.

And they wonder why college students spend more money on alcohol than books?

Unfortunately, it's not always just the test itself that makes it so difficult. Have you ever sat next to the smartest kid in class? They fly through the pages. And they want everyone else in

the room to know it, so they flip the pages extra hard so everyone knows they're on the next page. Sometimes they cause such a breeze everyone else's test flies off their desk and some girls get pissed 'cause their hair gets blown out of style.

How about sitting in front of someone with a cold? You can't concentrate cause you're so afraid they're going to cough a big loogie on the back of your head. Or how about sitting next to someone with body odor. In the first place, you don't want to breathe, but it helps to be alive to take the test, and second, it's hard to concentrate because you're worried everyone else will think it's you.

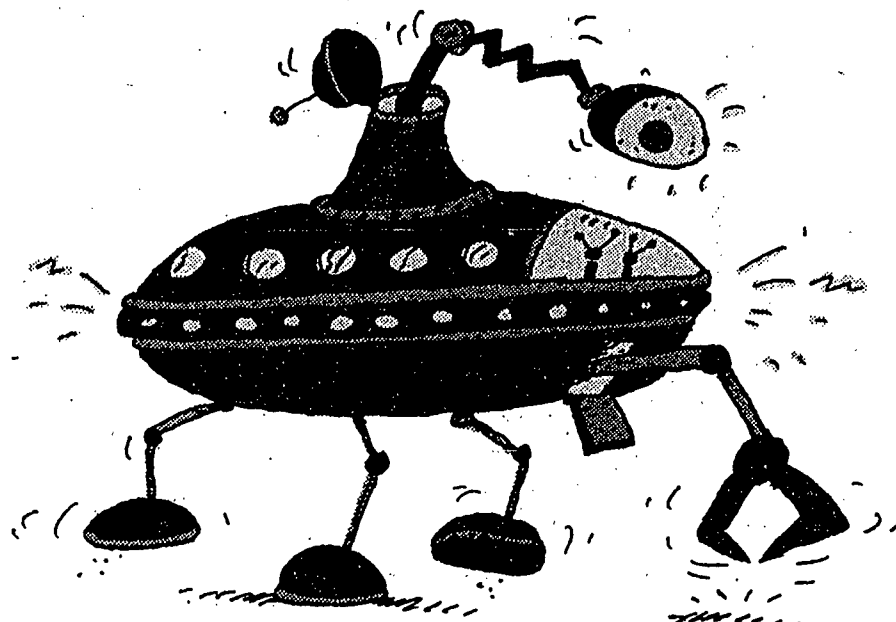
Or how about those teachers who have five multiple choice questions worth 20 points each, or one 80-point essay with two 20-point true/false questions? Perhaps, that should work the other way. For every stupid or trick question they ask, they are docked \$100 pay. Or for every stupid story they tell that has nothing to do with the subject, they must give each of their students 10 bonus points.

Teachers, I'm not knocking all of you. Some of you must love teaching to do it for so little money, but some must love it just because they get a kick out of making college more difficult than it should be.

Test me on this. I'm sure of the answer.

The Stroller is an anonymous column, which has been a Northwest tradition since 1918.

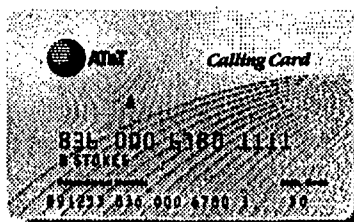




"You know, it's so ridiculous. If I don't call my parents every Sunday at exactly 5 o'clock, they think I was kidnapped by aliens, or something. Anyway, one Sunday me and Mark, we decide to take-off and check out the city. So we're hanging out and I look at my watch. 5 o'clock. Alright, so my calling card and I head down to the local pool hall. (Which I happen to know has a payphone.) And I tell the folks the Martians send their best."

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